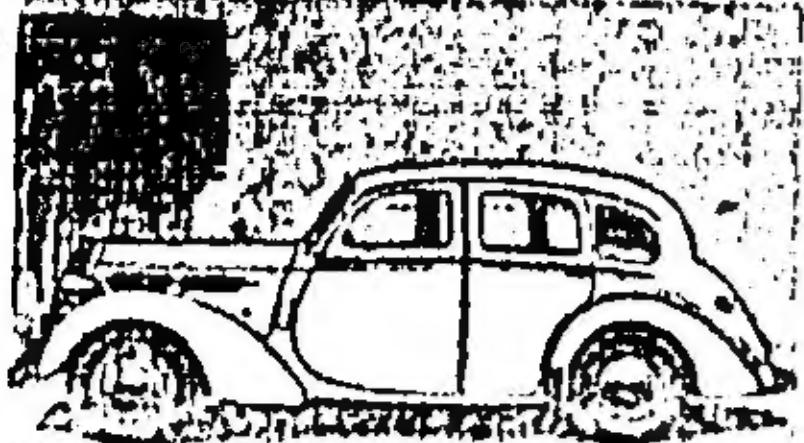


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## ARTILLERY FIRE ON HUNGARY'S FRONTIER

## CZECHS ACCUSE BUDAPEST OF STARTING BATTLE

### Ruth Etting's Ex-Husband Imprisoned

HOLLYWOOD, Jan. 6.  
COLONEL MARTIN  
SNYDER, former husband of  
Ruth Etting, the well-known  
"torch singer," was to-day  
sentenced to "not more than 20  
years imprisonment."  
He was found guilty of at-  
tempting to kill Myrl Alderman,  
Ruth's present husband.  
A motion advanced by the  
defence for a new trial was  
denied.—Reuter.

## GENEVA TASK FOR FAREAST EDITOR

LONDON, Jan. 6.  
MR. EDWIN HAWARD, former  
editor of the "North China  
Daily News," and who has been  
contributing important articles  
on the Far East situation in  
London papers recently, has  
been appointed the British  
member of the information  
section of the League of Nations  
Secretariat, with permanent re-  
sidence in London.—Reuter.  
Mr. Howard served as editor of  
the "North China Daily News" for  
eight years. Fifty-four years of age,  
he was educated at Reading School  
and King's College, London. He  
joined the staff of the "North China  
Daily News" in 1909, became manager  
in 1916, and held the joint post of  
manager and editor in 1920.  
He was correspondent for the  
Pioneer and the Times (London) at  
the headquarters of the Government  
of India from 1921 to 1925, and was  
editor of the Pioneer, Allahabad, from  
1925 to 1928. He was special cor-  
respondent of the Pioneer on the Prince  
of Wales' tour in Bombay and  
Rajputana in 1921, and in Waziristan  
in 1923, for which he received a  
medal.  
He commanded a machine-gun  
volunteer battery in the Punjab riots,  
for which he received the thanks of  
the Secretary of State.  
From 1928 to 1930 he was Infor-  
mation Officer at the India Office, and  
in 1930 he became editor of the "North  
China Daily News."

### Stock Market Still Quiet

London, Jan. 6.  
The London Stock Exchange was  
quiet to-day, and mostly tending to-  
wards slightly lower levels.  
Gilt-edged securities rallied after  
an early weakness. Railways opened  
firm on Cape and local support but  
gains were not fully held, as in-  
dustrials were subject to a little profit-  
taking.  
On the foreign exchanges, dollars  
were offered fairly heavily at the out-  
set, following the reimposition of the  
embargo, but subsequently they  
quietened.—Reuter Special.

## JAPAN TO FLOAT LOAN Huge Sum Required to Continue War

TOKYO, Jan. 6.  
The Government will float more than 7,000,000,000 yen of  
loans during the coming fiscal year to cover the extraordinary  
budgets and other emergency expenditures by various Ministries,  
informed quarters stated.

The extraordinary military ex-  
penditures in connection with the China  
Incident will amount to about 6,000-  
000,000 yen, which will be mostly  
covered with bonds, while the deficit  
covering bonds for the ordinary  
Budget are estimated at 800,000,000  
yen.  
Loans to finance special enterprises

BUDAPEST, Jan. 6.  
THE HUNGARIAN News Agency asserts  
that a tank, trench-mortar and machine-gun  
were captured on Hungarian territory in the  
course of the frontier incident.

A broadcast this afternoon declared that the view  
taken in Budapest appears to be that it must be regarded  
as more than a local incident.

It is noteworthy that  
Munkacs, the scene of the fight-  
ing, was formerly in Ruthenia,  
and was transferred to Hungary  
by the Italo-German arbitration,  
following the Munich agreement.

Artillery fire was still in progress  
on the frontier in the evening,  
according to a news agency report  
from Munkacs.

The official agency report says that  
the attack was directed against the  
town and repulsed. Czech forces  
are stated to have been thrust back  
across the frontier.

The report adds that neither  
Hungarian armoured cars nor artillery  
have as yet been used in the fighting.  
Meanwhile an examining magis-  
trate, travelling with an officer by  
car to discuss settlement with two  
Czech officers, is reported to have  
been wounded in the head by  
machine-gun fire en route to the  
meeting place.—Reuter.

START OF INCIDENT  
Budapest, Jan. 6.  
Czecho-Slovak regular troops and  
Ukrainian irregulars yesterday at-  
tacked the Hungarian frontier town  
of Munkacs, which was ceded by  
Czecho-Slovakia to Hungary last  
year.

An official Hungarian statement  
claims that the invaders, who had  
three armoured cars at their disposal,  
entered Hungarian territory at  
Orgszveg, in the neighbourhood of  
Munkacs, followed by lorry loads of  
men. Hungarian police and front-  
ier guards, although their number  
was only small, trapped the cars  
and captured the occupants, where-  
upon the Czecho-Slovak artillery,  
stationed on the heights overlooking  
Munkacs, opened fire on the town.

Several shells struck the more elevat-  
ed buildings.  
Nine Hungarians—four officers and  
five soldiers—were killed up to last  
night, while the bodies of five Czecho-  
Slovaks and Ukrainians were dis-  
covered in the immediate vicinity  
of Munkacs. According to inhabit-  
ants, however, several dead and  
wounded have already been removed  
by the Czecho-Slovaks.

Several private houses in Munkacs  
and the hotel Zum Stern were hit by  
shells and severely damaged. The  
municipal theatre suffered consider-  
able damage.

### COUNTER-ACCUSATION

PRAGUE, Jan. 6.  
The Hungarian Charge d'Affaires  
has made a demarche to the Czech  
Foreign Office, placing responsibility  
for the frontier incident upon the  
Czech Government.

A communique issued here, an-  
nouncing that frontier fighting was  
continuing at 5 p.m., accuses the  
Hungarians of starting the incident  
by attacking a patrol of three Czech  
gendarmes, without reason, and the  
communique adds that the gendarmes  
opened fire.

Subsequently Hungarian troops  
opened well-organised firing against  
the Czech military posts.  
The Government reserved a reply  
to the Hungarian protest until in-  
vestigations had established which side  
was to blame.

The Hungarian Charge d'Affaires  
was also informed that a high Czech  
official (Continued on Page 4.)

### STERLING CRISIS

## Fiduciary Issue Up £70,000,000

LONDON, Jan. 6.  
IT IS OFFICIALLY AN-  
NOUNCED that in con-  
nection with the re-transfer which  
took place yesterday from the  
issue department of the Bank  
of England to the Exchange  
Equalisation Account of two  
hundred millions sterling gold,  
namely £350,000,000 at the  
current price, the Treasury, on  
the representation of the Bank,  
and in conformity with the  
Currency and Bank Note Act of  
1928, has made a minute in-  
creasing the fiduciary note issue  
to £400,000,000.

This minute, in accordance with the  
Act, will be placed before Parliament.  
The Government intends to intro-  
duce legislation when Parliament  
meets to amend the above Act of  
1928, "Reuter" understands.

The purpose of the transfer is to  
strengthen the Exchange Equalisa-  
tion Account, which should now have  
sufficient means to meet any con-  
tingency.

The simultaneous increase in the  
fiduciary issue from £230,000,000 to  
£400,000,000 may principally be re-  
garded as a book-keeping transaction.  
In increasing it by only £170,000,000,  
against the £200,000,000 gold sale,  
the Bank of England reverts to the  
position prior to December 6, 1938,  
when in connection with Christmas  
currency demand, the fiduciary issue  
was temporarily expanded by £30-  
000,000.

The action of the authorities should  
cause surprise in the City, not by  
nature of the measure, but its size.  
It had recently been mooted that the  
Bank of England would transfer some  
£30,000,000 gold to the Equalisation  
Fund.

The immediate impact of the news  
of the Bank's gold sale on foreign  
exchanges was a strengthening of the  
sterling-dollar rate from 4.6450 to  
4.6737 as bears rushed to cover.—  
Reuter.

### Diplomatic Valise Incident Inquiry

London, Jan. 6.  
In order to remove any misapprehen-  
sion, the Foreign Office desires to  
make clear that there is no question  
of any British diplomatic mail bag  
having been involved in the recent  
incident at Irun.

The courier service, whereby the  
British Agent at Burgos, under ar-  
rangement agreed upon between the  
Government and the Burgos au-  
thorities, communicates with the  
Foreign Office, is in no way affected.

The inquiry which has been in-  
stituted by the Foreign Office into  
the Irun incident and the subsequent  
detention of the British pro-Consul  
at San Sebastian, will be concerned  
with the local arrangement whereby  
official correspondence, or other  
matter, was carried from the vice-  
Consulate at San Sebastian to the  
British Embassy at St. Jean de Luz.  
—Reuter.

### AIR MAIL DUE AT 4 O'CLOCK

The Imperial Airways plane Don-  
bold is expected at Kai Tak at 4 p.m.  
to-day with mail from all countries.  
Della is bringing a heavy load of  
U.K. mail to-morrow.

## Wang Ching-wei to Call Kuomintang Meet in H.K.?

CHUNGKING, Jan. 6.  
THE CHINESE official newspaper stated to-day that  
it is intended to issue a call summoning the Kuomintang's  
central executive committee to meet in Hongkong in the  
middle of January. This would conflict with a similar  
meeting of the central executive committee of the National  
Government called at Chungking.  
It is believed this is an attempt to establish a Japanese-  
supported "Puppet" Central Government, headed by Wang  
Ching-wei, with Wu Pei-fu and Chow Fu-hai as deputies,  
and also including those supporters of Wang Ching-wei  
who are now in Hongkong.  
However, should such a meeting materialise, it is not  
expected to affect the Central Government's united front.—  
United Press.

## TOM MOONEY TO GAIN HIS FREEDOM



TOM MOONEY

## PREMIER'S VISIT TO MUSSOLINI

To Leave London  
On Tuesday

LONDON, Jan. 6.  
IT IS ANNOUNCED that Mr.  
Neville Chamberlain and Vis-  
count Halifax will leave en route  
for Rome January 10.

They will take tea at the Quai  
D'Orsay with M. Daladier and M.  
Donnet and will have a brief con-  
versation with them.

The final Rome programme is now  
available. It shows that the party  
will arrive in a special train at 4.30  
p.m. on January 11, and will be re-  
ceived by II Duce in the evening,  
afterwards dining with II Duce.

They will lunch with King Victor  
Emmanuel on January 12, and in the  
evening will take supper with Count  
Ciano, following a gala performance  
at the Opera.

The visitors will have an audience  
with the Pope on January 13.  
Mr. Chamberlain will leave for  
London at midday on the 13th.

The social engagements will leave  
ample opportunities for political  
conversations.—Reuter.

### DOWNING ST. PARLEYS

London, Jan. 6.  
Mr. Neville Chamberlain, Lord  
Hallifax, Mr. Malcolm MacDonald  
and Sir John Simon met in Downing  
Street this morning.

Last night Mr. Chamberlain and  
Lord Hallifax had a discussion on  
their forthcoming visit to Rome.  
The Premier will go to Chequers  
this afternoon to spend the week-end,  
returning on Monday to prepare for  
the journey to Rome.—Reuter.

## CHINA MUCH STRONGER

Chiang Kai-shek Reiterates Faith

CHUNGKING, Jan. 7.  
CHINA'S SITUATION this year is even better than last  
year, declared Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek in a press in-  
terview yesterday.  
Militarily, Generalissimo Chiang  
said, China is carrying on the war of  
resistance smoothly and the morale  
of the Chinese forces is excellent. He  
also discussed the diplomatic situa-  
tion and the attitude of the Chinese  
Government towards the Japanese.  
Paying tribute to the patriotism

## AMERICA BACKS WARNING BY ITS PRESIDENT

WASHINGTON, Jan. 6.  
PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT has backed up  
his warning to Europe's dictators by officially  
proclaiming a permanent Atlantic Ocean defence  
squadron of 35 warships.

For the first time for years the fleet is divided into  
two sections—Atlantic and Pacific units. Each will be  
charged with definite areas to guard against any possible  
encroachment.

The new squadron includes  
four battleships, eight first-  
class cruisers, eight of the  
newest type of destroyers, 15  
old-type destroyers, and an  
unrevealed number of sub-  
marines and planes.

High Administration officials  
indicated that this was only the  
nucleus of a larger squadron to be  
established in the Atlantic in a year  
or so, connecting President  
Roosevelt's decision to make the  
United States the world's No. 1 sea-  
power.

The \$2,000 million naval defence  
programme submitted to congress  
calls for the early completion of  
more than 100 new warships now  
under construction, an additional  
two battleships, two cruisers, eight  
destroyers, eight submarines, two  
seaplane tenders, and one repair  
ship.

The proposed new battleships, it is  
reported in authoritative quarters,  
will be 45,000 tonnes.—United Press.

### DEFENCE MESSAGE

Washington, Jan. 6.  
President Roosevelt told a press  
conference to-day that he was mak-  
ing progress with the special defence  
message which will be given to Con-  
gress early next week.—Reuter.

## GUERRILLAS ACTIVE IN INTERIOR

CHUNGKING, Jan. 7.  
DESPITE freezing weather,  
with frequent rain and snow,  
Chinese guerrillas on the various  
fronts and behind the enemy's  
lines are relentlessly continuing  
their hit-and-run tactics against  
the Japanese according to re-  
ports gathered from widely  
scattered places.

The accumulated losses on the part  
of the Japanese are understood to be  
heavy.

The northern sector of the Canton-  
Hankow line, extending from  
Wuchang to Yoyang and now under  
Japanese occupation, is subject to  
constant harassment by the Chinese  
guerrillas, who are particularly active  
around Yoyang, Linsiang, Puchi and  
Sienning.

On Wednesday the Chinese irregu-  
lars, staged a surprise raid on the  
Japanese encampment during the  
heavy snowstorm. About 60 Japa-  
nese were killed and eight Japanese  
horses were captured. Major Wu  
Kwang-chung, a Chinese battalion  
commander, was wounded.

On the same day a Japanese  
transport unit was waylaid at Kang-  
wangchiao, about six miles south-  
east of Yoyang. Some 50 Japanese  
lost their lives. Five Japanese army  
lorries were damaged and a quantity  
of ammunition was seized by the  
Chinese.

Traffic on the Hwai-nan Railway in  
Anhui has been disrupted as a re-  
sult of the destruction of rails and  
sleepers by Chinese guerrillas near  
Hofei. All bridges between Shih-  
lichiao and Chiu-ching on the  
Kashing-Pinghu highway in  
Chekiang have also been damaged.

Another sudden attack was  
launched by Chinese mobile units on  
the Japanese garrison at Lingkiakiao  
on the Hangchow-Yoyang highway  
recently. Fox Hill and Carp Hill  
were both recaptured.

Under cover of darkness on the  
night of January 3 Chinese guerrillas  
stole near Tsinghuchen, a rural  
town east of Yuyang in south Shan-  
si, and fired at the Japanese. About  
forty of them were killed.

In north Shanai Chinese guerrillas  
have heavily damaged the railway  
track between Ningwu and Sohsten.  
—Central News.

### STREET FIGHTING

Taiyuan, Jan. 7.  
A daring counter-attack was  
launched by Chinese guerrilla forces  
on Muluantien, key town south of  
Shinsing on the Peking-Hankow  
Railway in northern Honan on  
January 5.

Delayed reports reaching here say  
that a fierce street fighting took place  
between the Chinese and Japanese  
forces.

## Enlisting In Britain Progresses

LONDON, Jan. 6.  
MARKED PROGRESS in re-  
cruiting for the three fighting  
forces is shown in a report now  
available. The advance is led  
by the Royal Air Force.

Figures for the period from April  
to December, show that the pro-  
gramme of recruitment expansion  
announced by Sir Kingsley Wood last  
June, involving an increase of 31-  
550 men during the year, is about 450  
men ahead of schedule.

Only 400 short-service commission  
pilots of the proposed 1,700 remain  
to be found before next April, com-  
pleting a record intake of such pilots  
for any year in the history of the  
Royal Air Force.

The army has enlisted 28,300 men  
since April, compared with 10,900  
for the corresponding period in the  
previous year.

The navy experiences some diffi-  
culty in getting skilled mechanics,  
but has a waiting-list of 100 boys  
wishing to enter other branches of  
the service.

Estimates for the current year  
provide for a naval strength of 119-  
000. Recruiting for the new fleet air  
arm began on January 1.—Reuter  
Special.

## LATEST

## Exchange Fund Assets Increase

Assets of the Hongkong Govern-  
ment's Exchange Fund increased by  
nearly £700,000 during the first six  
months of last year, according to a  
statement in the "Gazette" to-day,  
which shows that assets of the Fund  
at June 30 last were £13,012,872, as  
compared with £12,313,936 on  
December 31, 1937.

During those six months the Certifi-  
cates of Indebtedness outstanding  
amounted to \$101,034,887 which is the  
equivalent of £11,514,806 at the  
middle market rate of June 30 last,  
compared with £102,310,502 and  
£11,394,969 on December 31, 1937.

It is further stated that 73.05 per  
cent of the Fund's assets on June  
30 last were held in gilt-edged  
securities, 29.91 per cent were on  
deposit in London at call or short  
notice, and .01 per cent were in  
silver.

See Back Page For  
Further Late News

## U.S. Reprisals "Act Of War"

WASHINGTON, Jan. 6.  
SENATOR BENNETT CLARK  
to-day predicted that Con-  
gress would prevent President  
Roosevelt undertaking any econ-  
omic reprisals against aggres-  
sors.

It would, he claimed, consti-  
tute an "act of war, to which  
I am vigorously opposed, unless  
we are prepared to go to war."

In support of such a policy, he re-  
called the economic reprisals against  
a "fired Italy during the Ethiopian  
invasion," which Mussolini announced  
he considered an "act of war."

The Senator added, "You can't  
get away with that kind of business  
unless you are prepared to go to war."



## TO MARRY FOR THIRD TIME

MRS. JAMES FIELD, of Holme House, Regent's Park, N.W., is engaged to be married to the Hon. Peter Pleydell-Bouverie, brother of Lord Radnor.

This will be her third marriage. She first married in 1922 Mr. Dudley Coats, a member of the cotton family. He died in 1927.

Her second husband was Mr. Marshall Field, the £60,000,000 store magnate, whom she married in London in August 1930. This marriage was dissolved in 1934 at Reno, Nevada.

Mrs. Field was formerly Miss Audrey James. Her mother, Mrs. Willie James, was one of the most famous Edwardian hostesses.

Her house is reputed to be the most beautiful in London. It formerly belonged to the late Sir George Duff.

Mr. Field inherited the bulk of his fortune from his grandfather, an American merchant. Before he married Mrs. James Field his marriage with his wife, Evelyn, was dissolved.

## Science And The Navy

Nearly £422,000 is spent every year on scientific research for the Navy, and the new test laboratory for metals which Sir William Bragg opened at Sheffield recently is only one of a number of special establishments maintained by the Admiralty for scientific work. There is a Nautical Research Laboratory at Teddington, one for engineering at West Drayton, one for fuel at Haslar, a secret experimental station elsewhere, and an explosives research at Holton Heath.

The new Sheffield station will be concerned not only with iron and steel (and armour plate) but with non-ferrous metals, which are being used more and more in shipbuilding. The Admiralty chemists have invented and built new apparatus for the determination of carbon in steel and other machines for non-ferrous work. They are hard workers, for in the past twelve months in the old laboratories they have made more than 40,000 quantitative determinations. There will be a staff of forty-three, most of them skilled analytical chemists, constantly employed in the new test-house, and if necessary the staff can be expanded to sixty without overcrowding.

## No Job, No Dog, Says Mayor

"People who are unemployed or unable to keep themselves should not try to keep dogs. It is not fair."

This was the remark of the Mayor of Ramsgate, Alderman A. B. C. Kempe, recently to a man who was summoned at Ramsgate for not paying his dog licence, and who added that he could not pay because he was unemployed.

The man was fined 7s. 6d.—the cost of a licence.

Mr. C. R. Johns, secretary of the Canine Defence League, said: "Unemployed men ought to keep dogs because a dog to a man in such a position is one of his greatest friends."

"We help 2,000 or 4,000 unemployed people every year with their dog licences. We have an arrangement with the taxation authorities that they will not prosecute in a deserving case."

"On their recommendation, we always pay for a licence. We deplore prosecutions where they are taken without reference to us."

## Sir T. Beecham's Son To Marry

Mr. Adrian Beecham, son of Sir Thomas Beecham, and attractive 21-years-old Miss Barbara Joyce Cairn, daughter of the late Mr. Edward Cairn and the Hon. Mrs. Stratford Tolemache, of Castleau, S.W., announced their engagement recently.

They are to be married soon after the opera which Mr. Beecham is working upon his produced in London early in the New Year.

Miss Cairn's mother said: "My daughter inspired the music for this opera, which I think is going to be very, very beautiful."

In 1937 Adrian's younger brother, Thomas, married Miss Cairn's sister, Mozelle.



Mr. W. E. Hollands, at left, and Messrs. R. J. Hunt and A. J. Manton together with a friend were caught by the camera in this informal pose at the Police Recreation Club's children's sports.—Pictorial News.

## Attacked Woman Had £800 Under Bed

A DETECTIVE found more than £800 in notes hidden under the bed of an elderly spinster after she had been attacked in a bungalow in which she lived alone at Barkham, which she lived alone at Wokingham recently. It was stated at Wokingham recently, charged with attempting to murder her, Ralph Newport (28), of Bearwood Road, Barkham, was committed for trial.

The woman, Miss Clara Bone (60), of Arborfield Road, Barkham, gave evidence with her head bandaged.

Mr. E. R. Davies, prosecuting, said that Newport had been employed from time to time as a gardener by Miss Bone. He occupied a cottage belonging to her and had fallen into arrears with the rent.

On November 10 Miss Bone was alone in the bungalow when Newport called and went into the living room where he told her somebody was at the front door.

As she went to the door it was

alleged that Newport struck her three times on the head.

"I think you will have no difficulty in coming to the conclusion that she is here to-day only by the mercy of Providence," commented Mr. Davies.

A purse containing 5s. in silver and 6d. in coppers was missing from a table.

Detective-Sergeant Christopher, of Wokingham, said that on being questioned Newport said: "How can you say it was me. I have not been in the district."

Newport, who pleaded not guilty and reserved his defence, was allowed bail.

## Re-Orders of H.M.V. Records.

- B3380 (Die Fledermaus. Selection.  
C1736 (Cavalleria Rusticana. Selection.  
C1937 (La Traviata. Selection.  
C2007 (Aida. Fantasia.  
MAREK WEBSTER'S ORCHESTRA.  
B8305 (Puzeta.  
B8780 (Forget it & Smile.  
(Kiss. Serenade.  
(The Wind has Told Me a Story.  
BARNABUS VON GECZY'S ORCHESTRA.  
DA1541 (Vienna, City of My Dreams.  
(A Song of Vienna.  
DA1051 (In Chumbr Separce (Houbeger).  
(Ich Muss Wieder Einmal. (Benitzky).  
ELIZABETH SCHUMANN. (SOPRANO.  
B8771 (Wajata Pol.  
(Waltzing Matilda.  
PETER DAWSON. BARITONE.  
DB1538 (Your Tiny Hand is Frozen. (La Boheme).  
(All Hall, Thou Dwell. (Faust).  
DA1216 (O Dolce Incanto (The Dream).  
(Mi Par D'Uri Angora.  
BENIAMINO GIGLI. TENOR.  
C1023 (Brahms Sonata. No. 3. D. Minor.  
(Violin & Piano.  
ISOLDE MENGES & HAROLD SAMUEL.  
DB1123 (Beethoven Moonlight Sonata.  
(C Sharp Minor. Op. 27.  
PADEREWSKI. PIANO.  
DB3012 (Bach Suite No. 1. C Major.  
(Adolf Busch Chamber Players.  
C2933 (Peer Gynt Suite. (Morning, Death of Ase.  
(Anitra's Dance.  
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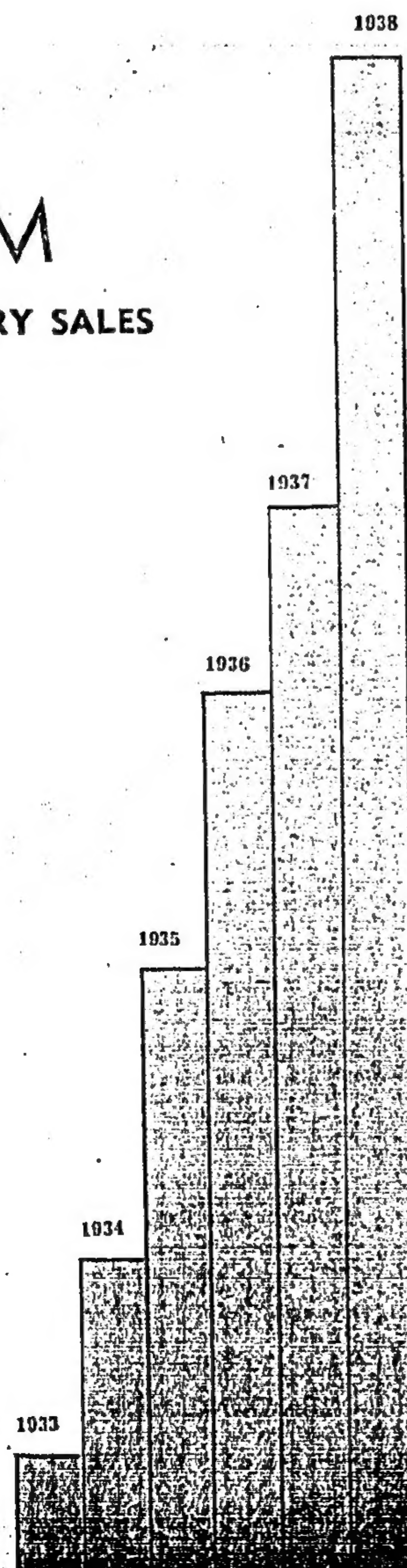
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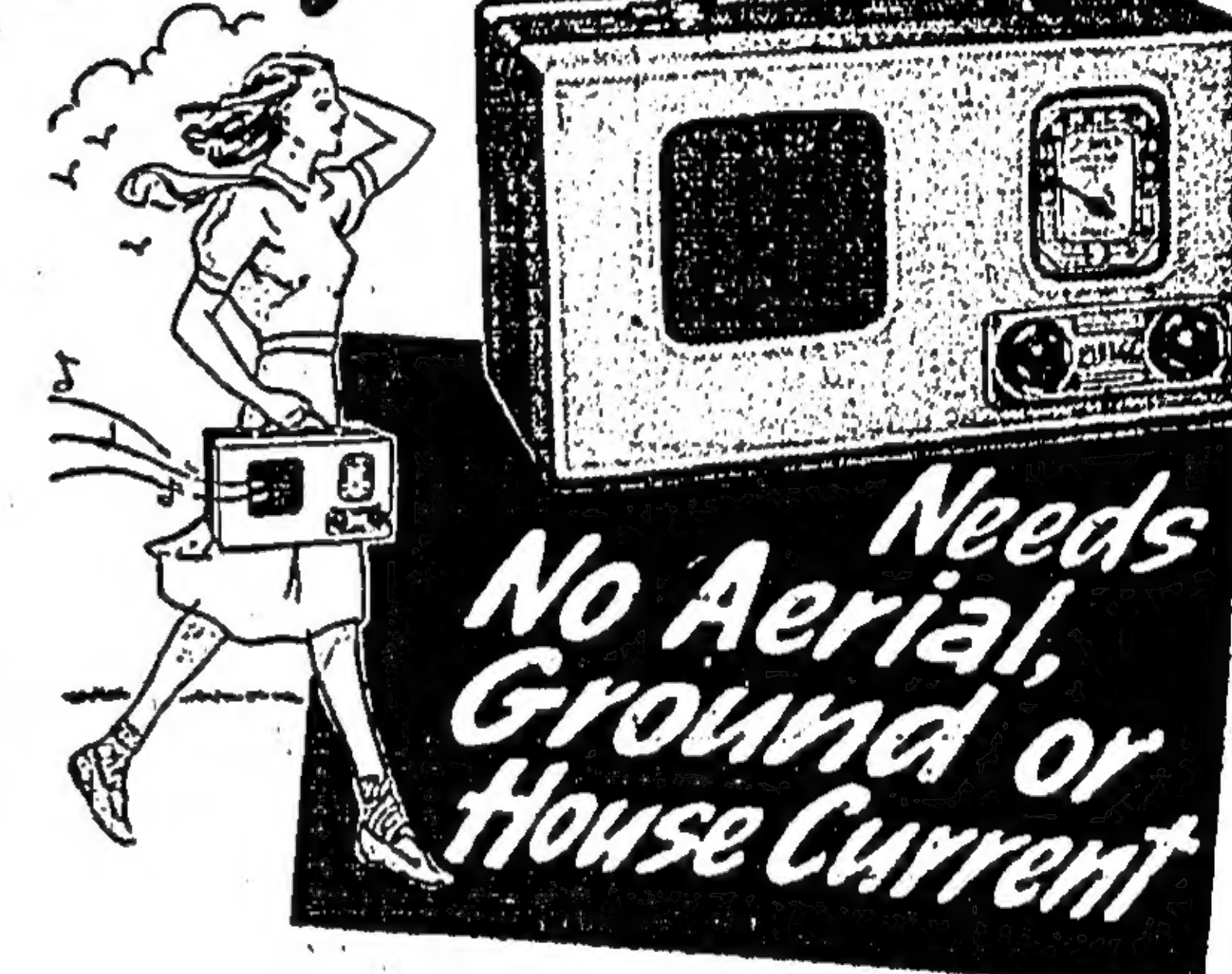
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# NEW PHOTOGRAPHS OF A ROYAL FAMILY



THE DUKE AND DUCHESS OF KENT and their children—Intimate photographs taken at their home, Coppins, Iver, Bucks. On the left is Princess Alexandra, and right she is seen with her brother, Prince Edward.



## DOCTOR, 76, WAS LAX—G.M.C.

For falsely certifying a passport photograph and representing that the applicant was a fit person to hold a British passport, seventy-six-year-old Dr. Augustus Northcote, of Wick-road, Hackney, E., was censured by the General Medical Council, sitting in London recently.

Dr. Northcote was convicted of the offence at Westminster Police Court last May, was fined £17, and ordered to pay three guineas costs.

After the council had considered their decision in private, the president, Sir Norman Walker, said to Dr. Northcote: "The council have found that the facts alleged against you have been proved to their satisfaction."

"The council regard laxity in giving a certificate of this nature as a matter worthy of censure, as in other similar circumstances such laxity has resulted in injury to the State and to the good repute of the medical profession."

## Train Door In Court

London.

To assist a Cumberwell jury in deciding whether a stockbroker's agent committed suicide by jumping from a railway carriage door window or fell out accidentally, the door was produced in court. Each juror put his head and shoulders through the window and leaned out as far as possible to ascertain whether he could overbalance. The inquest was on Basil William McDough Butcher, 34, of Argyle Mansions, Chelsea, who died after being found on the railway track while returning from Paris in the Southern Railway boat train. The verdict was "Suicide while the balance of the mind was disturbed."

Mrs. Butcher told the coroner that during the summer her husband inflicted a throat wound on himself with a safety razor. Later he went to a nursing home in Zurich. A doctor stated that he advised Butcher to have auto-suggestion treatment to help him in respect of his addiction to alcohol. He suffered from "Esophageal Neurosis" in which he could not face responsibility. In the doctor's opinion, the throat wound was inflicted purely for dramatic effect.

## He Takes The Biscuit

ACTUALLY, he—a 13-year-old Plymouth boy—took a silver-plated biscuit barrel, but his excuse at Plymouth Juvenile Court was that he intended to return it after it had been used as a "prop" in a school play in which he was taking part.

"What part are you taking?" asked the Chairman.

"That of a burglar, sir," replied the boy.

Case dismissed with magisterial advice against the profession of burglar.

## Dinosaur Tooth Found

Saskatoon, Sask. The giant tooth of a dinosaur, weighing 13 pounds, was found by a workman digging gravel on the outskirts of the city. The tooth was broken in two by the workman's pick, and has been sent to the University of Saskatchewan for examination.

## Greek King Buys 20 Swords

KING George of Greece, recently in London, where he did most of his shopping, ordered twenty swords to be made for him.

Except that they bear his coat of arms and monogram, they are the exact replicas of the British naval, infantry, cavalry, artillery and R.A.F. swords.

Some of them are for his own use. Larger orders for these copies of British swords are expected in the next few years because the King intends to present a British-made sword to every cadet about to enter his fighting services.

One sword which has particularly captured the fancy of the King is the R.A.F. sword with its hilt shaped like the head of an eagle.

## France's 3-Year Navy Plan

Paris.

Appearing before the Navy Commission of the Chamber of Deputies recently, M. Campinchi, the Minister of Marine, gave details of a three-year programme of French warship building which is estimated to give her a Fleet of 700,000 tons by 1942.

In October, the Commission was informed, a new 18,000-ton aircraft carrier was laid down. It will be named Joffre, and will be launched in 1941.

M. Campinchi asserted that the Government was determined to give France the force necessary for the protection of her Imperial routes. Eighty per cent. of the capital sums voted for the Navy would, he said, be allocated to the building of new warships and aircraft.

"Our Navy is strong enough to deal with the United Navies of Germany and Italy," he declared. "The situation might change, he added, but his assurance was the truth."

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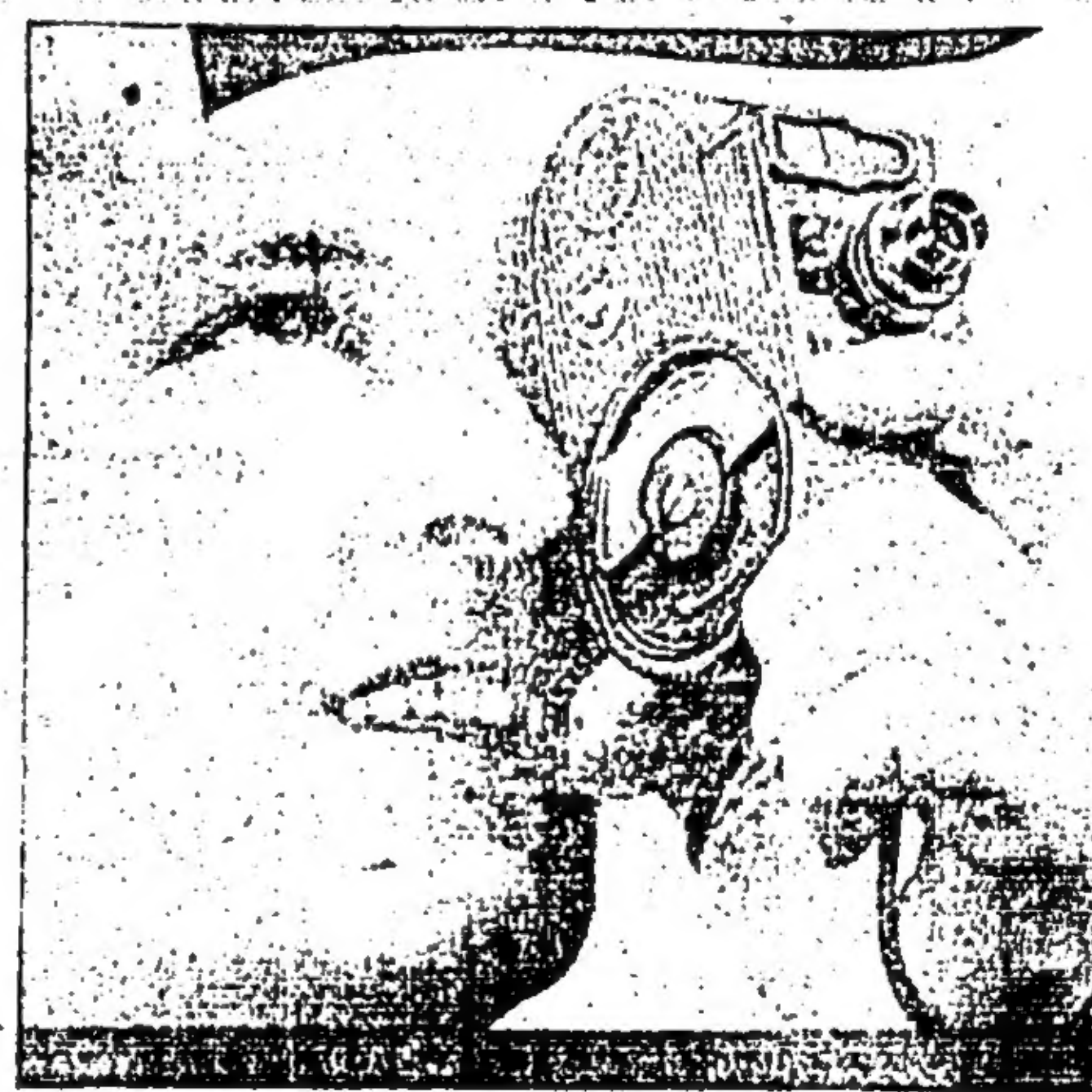
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## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

## NORTHUMBERLAND AND DURHAM ASSOCIATION.

The Inaugural Dinner of this Association is to be held in the Hong Kong Hotel (Roof Garden) on Friday, January 13, at 7.30 p.m. for 8.00 p.m.

Dinner Dress is optional. Anyone from the two Counties who wishes to attend the Dinner should communicate as soon as possible with the undersigned.

W. MULCAHY,  
Hon. Secretary,  
No. 4, Braga Circuit, Kowloon.

## SOCIETY OF ST. GEORGE, HONG KONG

Annual Ball, 1939.

Members are reminded that it is proposed to hold the above function on Friday, 20th January, 1939.

It will prove of considerable assistance to the Secretaries if lists of guests are sent as soon as possible to their offices, 1st floor, Exchange Building.

LINSTEAD & DAVIS,  
Secretaries and Treasurers.

## STOCK MARKET REPORT

The Hongkong Stock Exchange weekly report issued yesterday, says:

Since the resumption of business after the New Year holidays the Stock Exchange has been trying out the system of "Board Trading" and although the experiment cannot be considered other than in its initial stage it seems the possibilities attaching to it have advantages. The turnover for the shortened week gives the impression that the system has helped to broaden the market.

Prices in some cases have inclined to harden, though the heavy priced counters have lost some ground. Wharves have been traded down to 115 business done, and H.K. Bank have again suggested to business as low as \$1.425 following a further drop of 2 1/2 in the London quotations. Closing tone, quiet but steady.

Business Done During the Week  
Hongkong Bank \$1,425, \$1,440, \$1,455,  
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## THE GIRL GUIDES More Assistance In Work Needed

The need for new Guiders was stressed as the greatest problem now confronting the Girl Guide Movement in Hongkong, when the annual general meeting was held yesterday in Sandilands Hut. Lady Northcote, the Patroness, presided.

Mrs. A. R. H. Phillips, Colony Secretary, read the minutes, after which Mrs. T. H. King, M.B.E., Colony Commissioner, read her report, and said in part:

I would like to say, how deeply we appreciate Lady Northcote's kindness in coming to this meeting, and also to thank her, as our President, for showing, as she has done throughout the past season, her real interest in the Girl Guides of Hongkong.

You have very kindly passed the annual report and balance sheet as read, but, if you do not mind, I would like to make some comments upon it. I am afraid that you may consider that we have a rather too opulent looking bank balance lying idle but we are waiting for a definite purpose—and that is to have a trainer out from Headquarters—which is a very costly business, but it makes all the difference to the efficiency of every Guider and so benefits each Guide.

By the end of last season our numbers dropped by 60 odd, but our numbers always fluctuate.

There is our same old cry—"May we open a new Company or Pack?" as the case may be, but we have to refuse because of the lack of Guiders. Mrs. Higgins is going to speak to you on that subject, so that I am not going to enlarge upon it, but one thing I feel strongly—that is, that there is no better training for good citizenship than training as laid down in the Guide Law—and a good Guide cannot be less than a first-class citizen.

You will see the keenness of the Guiders by the varied badges taken during the year; and since that end of the Extension, by the gas stove, has been made into a kitchen, many more Guiders have taken their Cook's Badge.

### Council Changes

We have lost a true friend in Mrs. Bartholomew. I would like to take this opportunity, on behalf of the Association, of thanking her for all that she has done, and to wish her and General Bartholomew the greatest happiness in England. Mrs. Hance resigned the Badge Secretary's work at the end of the season, and we are more than grateful to her for all the time and endless trouble that she has

taken throughout the four years that she has been the Badge Secretary. Mrs. Bishop has kindly taken Mrs. Hance's place.

One of our biggest debts of gratitude is to Mrs. Phillips, our Secretary, who carries the whole of the Guide organisation in her capable hands. There are no many friends I would like to thank—the Press for their unflinching courtesy and interest, and so many others, that I would detain you far too long; but I must thank the Guiders and Guiders for their loyal co-operation throughout the past very strenuous and exciting year. I wish them all "Good Guiding" in 1939.

Lady Pollock, in proposing the adoption of the report and statement of accounts, congratulated the Association on the year's work. The outbreak of the recent trouble saw the Guiders "in action", making themselves useful in the various refugee camps.

It was most gratifying to see that 228 girls passed the Proficiency tests. It was, however, unfortunate that there were not more Guiders to help with the training of Guiders and to undertake the formation of new Companies.

Mrs. J. R. Higgs made a strong appeal for new members. She said in part:

I only want to speak to you quite briefly this morning. My reason for doing so is that some of the members of the Guide Council felt that at the annual meeting it was right that some of our problems as Guiders should be brought before your notice. Guiding all the world over, of course, has its difficulties and problems, but in this Colony have very pressing and urgent ones to deal with at present.

### Need for Guiding

I suppose there has never been a time in the history of Hongkong when Guiding has been more needed than it is at the moment, and this for two reasons: firstly, because there is an enormous amount of voluntary work which needs to be done, and which may increase quite suddenly at any time; and secondly, because always in times of crisis and danger the need is for people of character who are trained to be sensible and brave, and who can be relied upon not to

lose their heads in times of emergency.

We have a great deal of splendid material in Hongkong. I think the other Commissioners would agree with me that our Guiders are a most excellent crowd of girls. The pity of it is, though, that there are many other excellent ones who would love to come into the movement too. We have had applications from schools and churches who wish to open Guide Companies, or Brownie Packs, and we have had to say "no" at present as we have not leaders. It is no use starting fresh companies as long as our present ones are hopelessly understaffed.

This is, of course, our great major problem in Hongkong—the difficulty of getting Guiders. We are apt to say hopelessly, "It is the fault of the modern girl. She won't take up Guiding. She is too selfish. Even the ones who have been Guiders before, seem determined to keep out of it now." But I am sure we are wrong when we take this line. Young people are probably much the same as they ever were.

It is very likely that the modern young woman dislikes the idea of Guiding because she has got a completely wrong impression of the whole thing. She may think of the Guide as a very healthy sort of person with a shiny nose who comes up and slaps you on the back and calls you by some horrid nickname which you can't bear, or perhaps she feels that there is something slightly military about the whole movement.

Well, there is no doubt that these wrong impressions of Guiding have sometimes been given. I myself have always hated the type of Guider who tries to turn herself into a drill-sergeant. But we must remember that Guiders who behave like that are doing great harm to the movement as a whole. The original "great game" which Baden-Powell invented was not in the very least like that. It was a game which had rules and regulations, but he himself never forgot that it was a glorious game, and needed to be played in that spirit. When I was Home on leave I had the honour of meeting Lady Baden-Powell, and I thought again, as I thought when I saw her before, that she really is the ideal leader for the Guide movement. She is completely charming, full of commonsense and humour, and so free from anything that is eccentric or weird that anyone meeting her is usually convinced within a very short time of the value of the things that Guiding stands for.

### Aims of Guiding

Now what are those things? Well, primarily, the creation of a type of girl who is essentially healthy in body and mind, sensitive to nature and loving an outdoor life, useful with her fingers, interested in hobbies, and handicrafts, level-headed in an emergency, a good mixer and a good friend. I feel quite sure that

many of the young women whom we meet in Hongkong, if they realised this, would be glad to lend a hand with Guiding.

So we do appeal to you this morning, particularly to our Vice-Presidents, to help us to find new Guiders. The responsibility is becoming far too heavy for the few who have to bear it. We are becoming distracted and worried over a thing that ought to be a pleasure.

Of course, if we can get people who have been Guiders before, so much the better, but anyone who is keen and has the right kind of spirit, can easily be trained. The best way of getting training is to come along to the monthly Guiders' Meetings, and also to work under an experienced Captain for a time. Lack of knowledge need not prevent the right type of girl from coming along. Actually, if we could find any six or eight new people who would be willing to lend a hand, it would not only relieve us of this burden, which is becoming too heavy for us, but would mean that Guiding in Hongkong could really go forward. We should be especially glad to hear of bilingual people who could help us with our Chinese Companies.

Then there is one other problem over which we need help that is over the badge work. As you know, Guiders may try for a number of badges, including useful things like Needlewoman, Child Nurse, Cook, Ambulance, Photographer, etc. It is often difficult in Hongkong to find people who are willing to test the Guiders for these badges. Actually it is a very easy job. It simply means that someone who has a working knowledge of cooking or whatever it is, is willing to come along occasionally and test the girls according to the regulations laid down in the Guide handbook. As I say, it is a very easy job to do, but not easy always to find the right person to do it. It might be possible for some of the Vice-Presidents themselves to help us, or to give us the names of others who have a specialised knowledge of some particular subject. Mrs. Bishop is the Badge Secretary, so perhaps anyone who is interested in the subject could talk it over with her.

In conclusion, Mrs. Higgs expressed the Guiders' appreciation of the support given by the President and Vice-Presidents.

Lady Northcote expressed the gratitude of the Council to Mrs. Phillips and Mrs. Higgs for their unflinching hard work.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Among those present were: Dr. Katie Woo, Mesdames L. Dunbar, C. W. E. Bishop, G. E. S. Upsdell, D. Denkin, M. K. Lo, W. F. Webb, J. H. R. Hance, T. Lunsen, H. Owen-Hughes, S. Gubbay, N. K. Littlejohn, H. C. Margrett, and the Misses Jane Buckwell and Barbara Hance.

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Two Chinese weddings took place at the Registry yesterday before Mr. T. J. Gould, Deputy Registrar of Marriages.

Mr. Loo Yee-ming, assistant secretary of the China Can Co., Ltd., mar-

ried Miss Chan Kim-ming, of 14a Canal Road, West. The witnesses were Messrs. Lau Shu-kam and Chen Kin-ying.

### A. R. P. LECTURES

The Women's A.R.P. Union announce that a course of Anti-gas lectures will be held at the Volunteer Defence Corps Headquarters on Tuesdays at 10.30 a.m., beginning January 10.

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## WOMAN'S NOTE FROM "EROS"

REFERENCE to a note to a woman, beginning "Duchess," and signed "Eros, the god of love," was made during the hearing of a slander action in the King's Bench Division recently.

Mrs. Florence Emily Garrard, of Russell Mansions, Southampton Row, W.C., claimed damages from Mr. Joseph Charles Jepson, of Harp Lane, Great Tower Street, E.C., who Mr. Jepson denied that the words of which Mrs. Garrard complained were uttered or were capable of bearing the meaning attached to them and, alternatively, said that in their ordinary meaning they were true.

Mr. G. R. Blanco White, K.C., for Mrs. Garrard, said she and Mr. Jepson lived together for many years as man and wife.

### SINGER

Mrs. Garrard was a professional singer and Mr. Jepson, when not at business, was an accompanist. There came to live at their home Mrs. Garrard's daughter, Phyllis, aged about 17, and a brother of the plaintiff, Mr. W. H. Hayward, made observations which Mrs. Garrard interpreted as meaning that not only was she living with Mr. Jepson, but was willing that her daughter should do so also.

Mr. Hayward would not apologise, so Mrs. Garrard began a slander action. It was suggested that Mr. Jepson would have to give evidence.

### PAID HER £6,500

Eventually, it was arranged that Mrs. Garrard should settle the action. Mr. Jepson would pay her £6,500 and £2 a week.

In October, 1933, the action was settled before Mr. Justice Hawke, and Mrs. Garrard got her £6,500. The question which arose was whether Mr. Jepson entered into that agreement because of threats that he would have to be a witness.

Could they conceive of Mr. Jepson, if he was being blackmailed, as he seemed now to allege, going home to live with Mrs. Garrard? Could they conceive him, in those circumstances, sending her a note addressed to her as "Duchess" and signed by himself as "Eros, the god of love," she said.

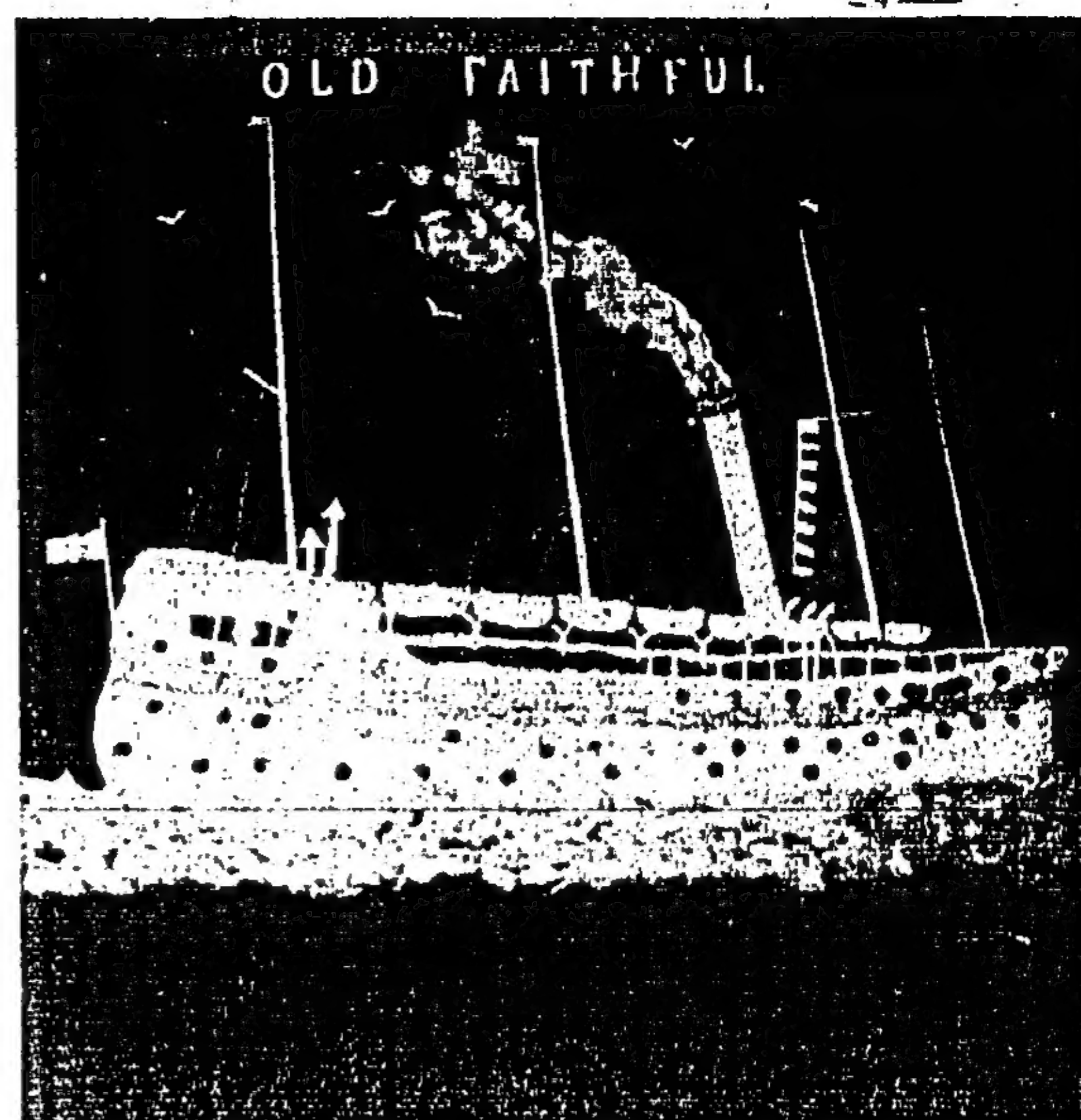
Mrs. Garrard said in evidence that she was the divorced wife of Charles Hooper Garrard, the decree being made absolute last month. She said Mr. Jepson had complained that she did not dress smartly enough.

"We parted in 1937," she said, "but since 1929, although we occupied the same flat, we had different bedrooms."

Mrs. Garrard, answering Mr. Graham Brooks (defendant) said that after the £6,500 episode, Mr. Jepson willingly lived with her. She denied that she told him that if he left her, she would sue him.

Mr. Graham Brooks: I suggest that he could not leave you for fear of the publicity that was hanging over him from you?—That is ridiculous.

The hearing was adjourned.



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## He Is F. R. Met. S. At Fourteen

Though he is only 14, Roger Gade, a pupil at Portsmouth Southern Secondary School, is entitled to put F.R. Met. S. after his name.

He has been created a fellow of the Royal Meteorological Society for his observations on thunderstorms, and recently he told how he earned the distinction.

"I first became interested in meteorology through the significance and form of clouds," he said. Later my enthusiasm extended to thunderstorms and I carried out observations from my bedroom window.

"The Meteorological Society asked for information on thunderstorms about 3½ years ago, so I sent the result of my work."

"I followed this with a short article on thunder and the society sent me literature suggesting that I should become a fellow."

"That was 18 months ago. They did not know I was so young."

Roger is studying for his Oxford School Certificate and hopes soon to go to the University. Then he wants to get a job in a meteorological office.

His father is working for a petroleum company in Iraq.

"Becoming a fellow means becoming a member of the society, and does not require or imply any special skill or qualifications, beyond an interest in meteorology."

"In 50 to 100 years' time, perhaps," he added, "cancer will be only a legend like leprosy."



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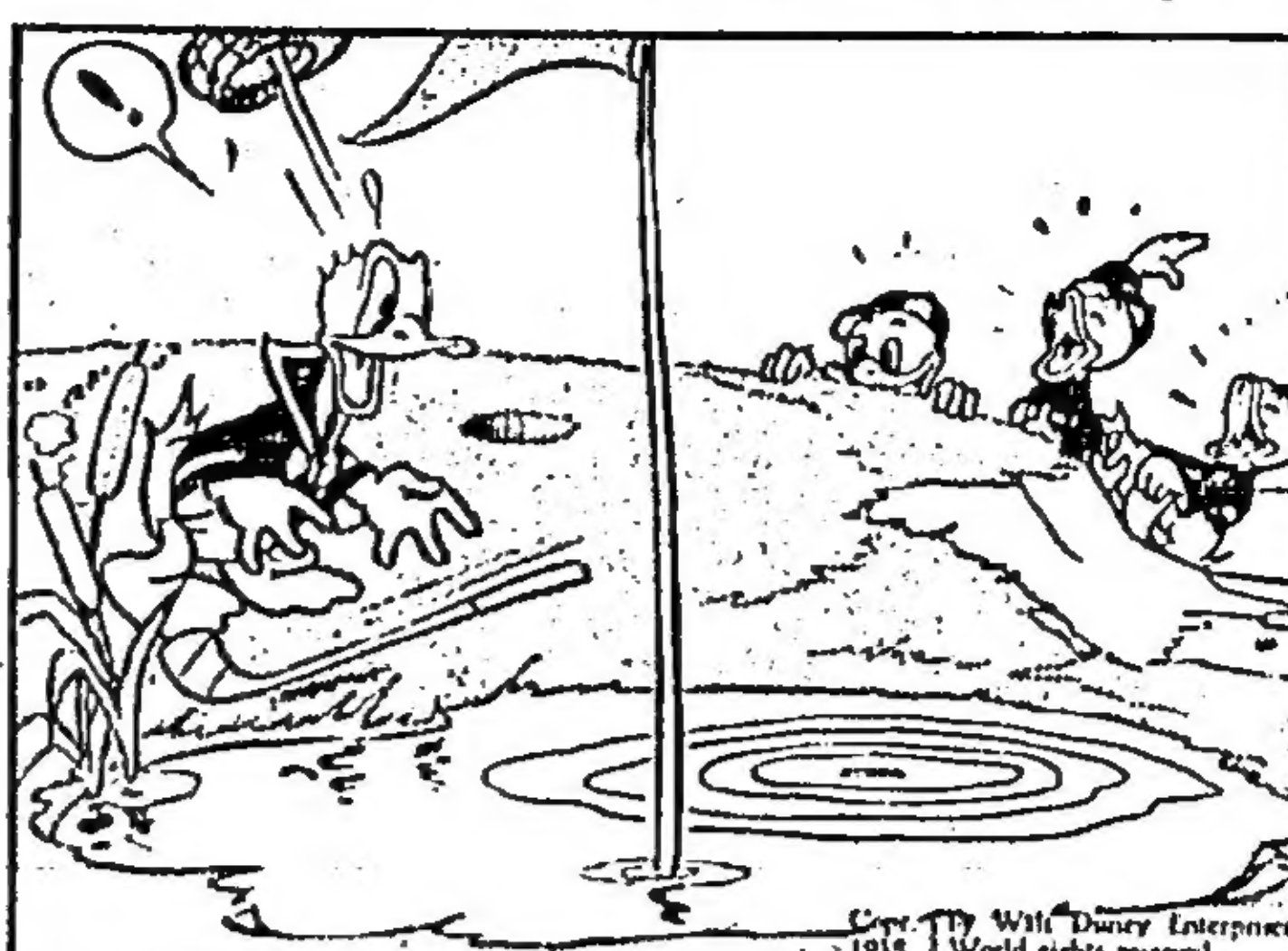
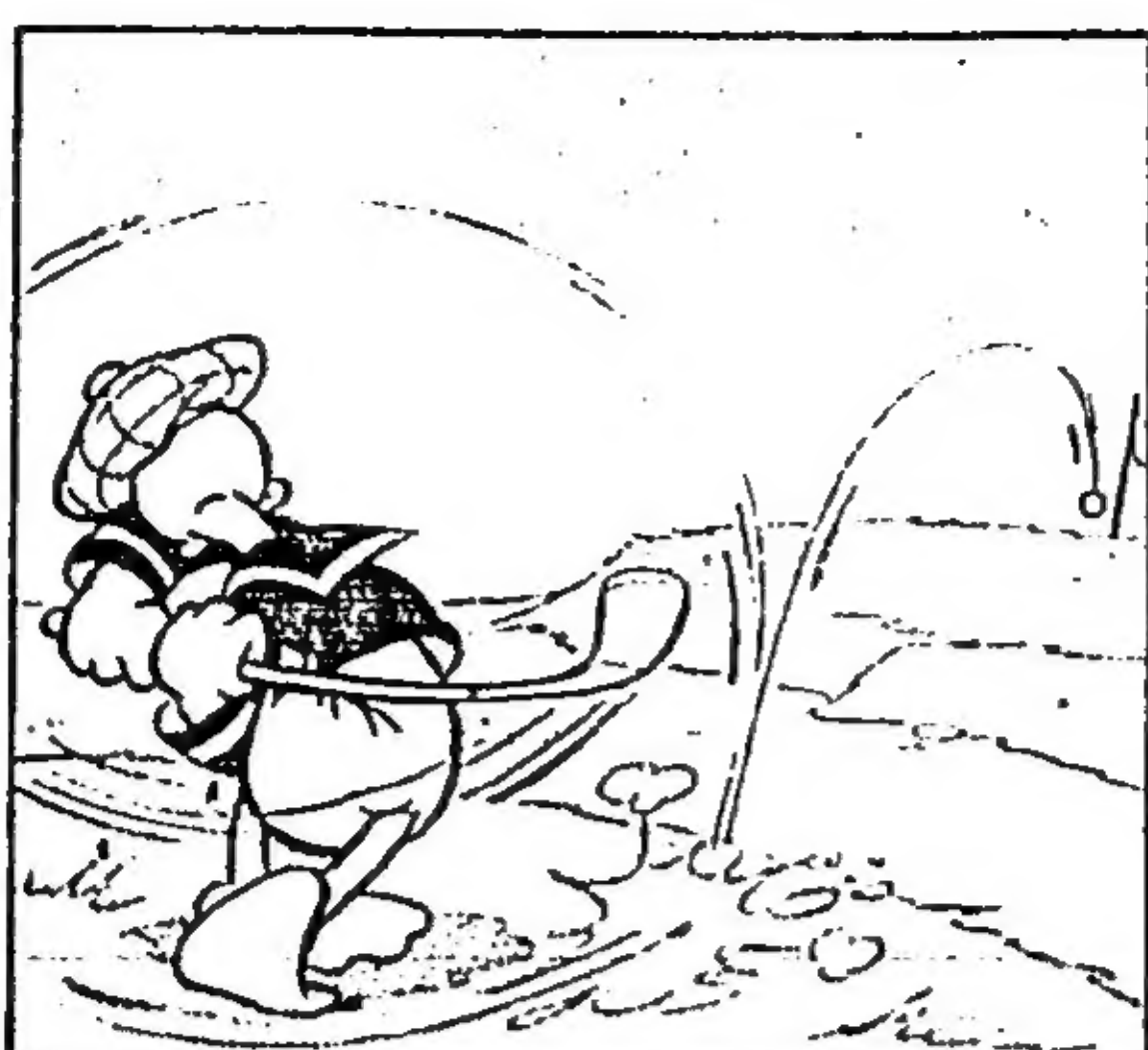
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## ARMY OFFICER IN COURT

### Faces Charges Of Causing Death

AS a sequel to an accident in East Coast Road recently, in which two Chinese boys, Sim Kwee Leong and Goh Sah Ngoh, aged 15 and 13 years, respectively, received fatal injuries, Lieut. J. C. Burgoyne-Johnson, of the Royal Artillery, Changi, recently appeared before Mr. L. B. Gibson, in the Criminal District Court, Singapore, on two charges of causing death by negligent driving.

The prosecuting officer, Chief Court Inspector MacQuarrie, stated that the deceased and two other persons were walking along the road, near the eighth milestone, on the night of Sept. 26. They were carrying seaweed and were on the left grass verge, going in the direction of town.

A motor-car, alleged to have been driven by the accused, was proceeding in the same direction. Apparently, said Mr. MacQuarrie, there was another car coming from the opposite direction, and as the cars were about to pass, the vehicle alleged to have been driven by Burgoyne-Johnson, swerved to its left and knocked down the two boys. The boys died in hospital later the same night.

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Mr. Minns detailed the damage, which was confined to the left side of the car.

The headlights were also tested. The left light, when dipped, threw a well-focused beam far ahead. Following cross-examination by Mr. A. J. Braga and Mr. Richard Taylor, for the defence, the hearing was adjourned.

#### Cane Patch Thwarts Law

Okemah, Okla. Deputy Sheriff Cliff Sullens is troubled with a "cane curse." He has a warrant to serve on a farmer who lives near a large cane patch. Every time Sullens goes near the house to serve the warrant, the man rushes into the cane field. Now the deputy is awaiting harvest time.

### Driven Mad By Village Gossip

CORSHAM (Wiltshire).

SOON after Mrs. Sawyer was drowned under circumstances which caused the Wiltshire coroner, Mr. Harold Dale, to say that

"Even if Sawyer had not taken steps that a normal man might have done, I do not think he was alive in drowning her."

Edward Sawyer, to whom the remarks were addressed, vanished.

He was later found wandering, in tatters, and in such a condition that he has been certified insane.

He is now an inmate of Wiltshire Mental Hospital at Devizes.

So gossip has another victim. The village had been too talkative about his affairs.

In a letter to his brother, written from the institution, he wrote: "I may never see you again. God bless you all. Look after what I have left behind."

He referred to his eight-month-old baby, staying with his mother, who drew her first old age pension recently.

Prize Dogs Sacrificed

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa.

Rather than let her five Borzoi dogs, said to be direct descendants of those of the former kaiser, fall into strange hands, Mrs. A. Champman of Johannesburg had them painlessly killed. The dogs were worth \$2,500.



One of the youngest kiddies who took part in the races at the K.C.C. Children's Sports.—Kahn.

### What Makes Boys Bad?

It looks as though we are on the brink of the solution of that great national problem—what makes most boys naughty?

Recently parents were able to read the text of Sir Samuel Hoare's Penal Reform Bill which—apart from embodying the most far-reaching prison reforms of the last 100 years—dealt with the subject of the young offender.

Many teachers and magistrates say that the British boy is not as bad as he has been made out to be. He is as naughty—but certainly no naughtier—than his predecessors.

Mrs. Elsie Vera Parker, president of the National Union of Teachers, said: "I am not one of those who are worried about the modern child."

The figures of juvenile delinquency do not dismay me.

"Before juvenile courts were set up, many a petty infringement of the law remained unrecorded because of the reluctance of the adult to expose the child to the procedure and rigours of a police court."

"Now that it is known that the child will receive help and guidance from the courts there is little hesitation in seeing that he is brought before it."

#### City Protects Butterflies

Pacific Grove, Cal. The vast hordes of monarch butterflies, which for the past 60 years have made an annual flight of 1,000 miles from the Canadian Rockies to winter here, now are protected by law. A new city ordinance imposes a fine of \$500 or six months imprisonment for anyone who molests or disturbs them. No exception is made for the scientists who come every year to study them.

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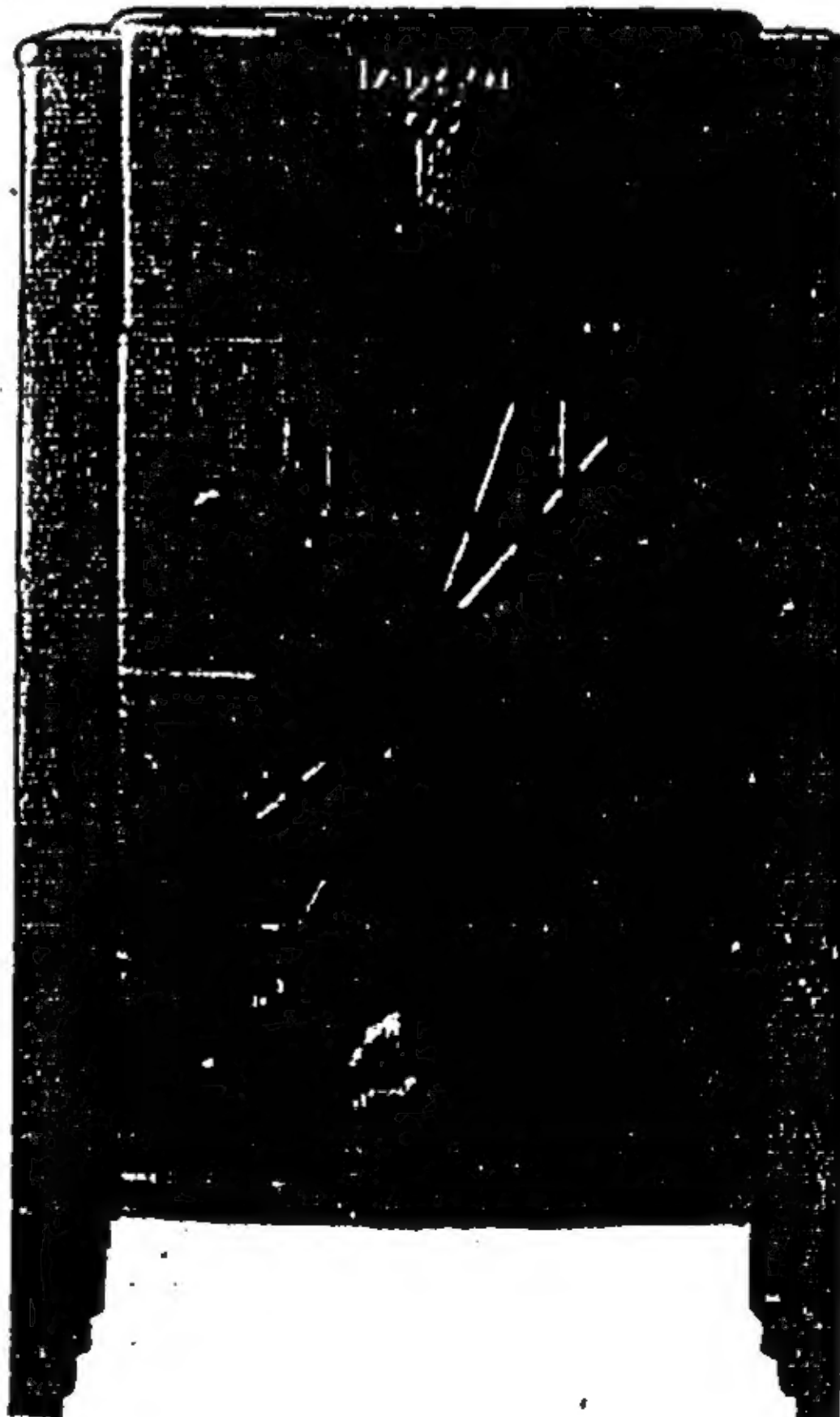
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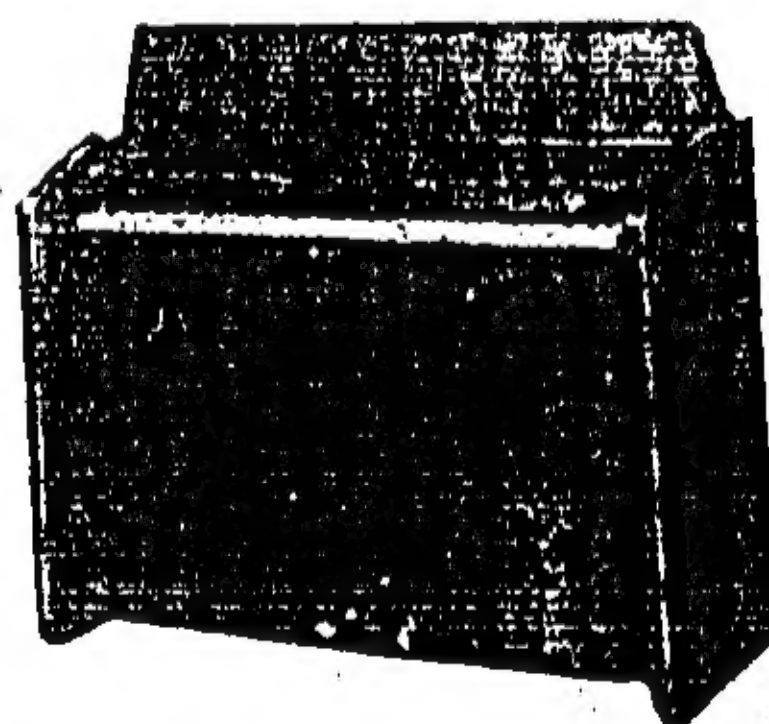
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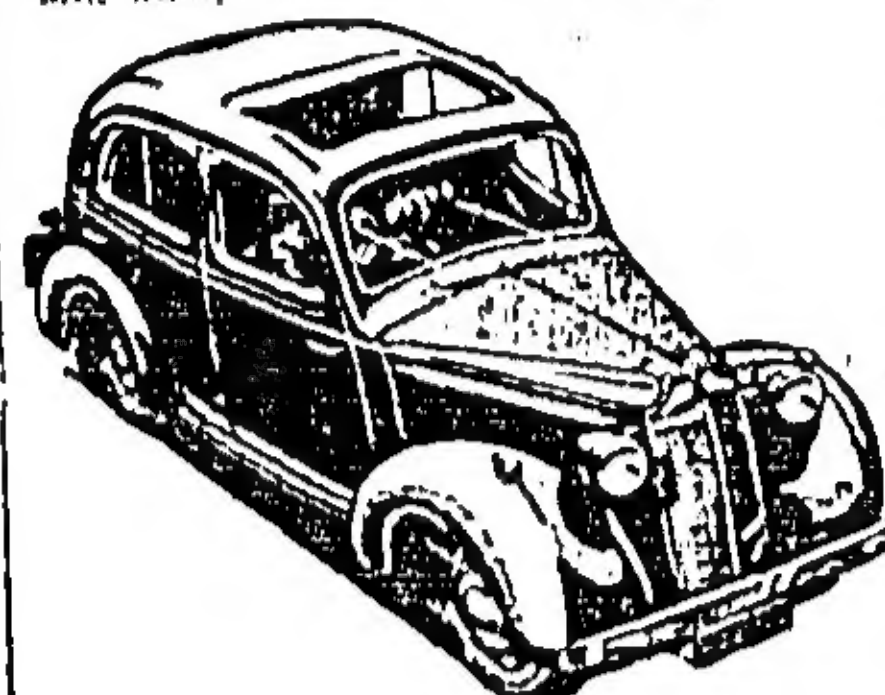
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## Should Germany Have Colonies?

TENTATIVE DEMANDS for the return of colonies have long been a regular feature of speeches by official spokesmen in Germany. Since the Munich Agreement, it has been apparent that the other Great Powers would soon have to treat this issue seriously. There is reason to believe that Mr. Chamberlain, while making no definite promises, would not be averse from discussing this problem as part of a general policy of appeasement.

Through the tangle of controversy which is always stimulated by the colonial question, no easy road to a solution which might satisfy everybody has ever been discernible. Matters have been further complicated by recent events in Germany. The vicious pogrom against the Jews has stiffened the resistance of those who have consistently opposed the return of colonies to Germany and has reinforced their ranks by disgusting many of the waverers.

Since the end of the Great War, new conceptions of colonial administration have been developing which have a bearing upon the present situation. Under the Mandate System, which applies to the ex-German and the ex-Turkish territories, the welfare of the backward races is regarded as of paramount importance—indeed, to quote the League Covenant, "a sacred trust of civilisation." Evidence that the British, French, Belgian and other Governments take this obligation seriously has been provided at the meeting in December of the Permanent Mandates Commission.

In view of the success of this post-War colonial experiment, it is advocated in some quarters that the Mandate System should be extended to cover all colonies or that, at the very least, the same principles should be applied in all colonial administration. The Aryan theory dominating Nazi Germany, unfortunately, makes it unlikely that consideration for the rights of native races would seriously enter into her colonial scheme. Thus it is difficult to escape the conclusion that Germany, in her present mood, is putting up a barrier against colonial adjustment.

# NO NICOTINE NAZIS



I THOUGHT I knew all the arguments against smoking, but Herr Julius Streicher has discovered one that, at least to me, is new.

He has discovered that the spread of the smoking habit is the result of a subtle Jewish plot which was aimed at the slow poisoning of the great Aryan race. "Jews taught the Germans to smoke," he declared "in order to destroy the German nation and to make money."

It would be easier to believe that this was true if so many Jews did not themselves smoke. I cannot believe that my Jewish friends, when they smoke, are deliberately trying to commit suicide. With their pipes and cigars and cigarettes in their mouths they even look as if they were enjoying themselves. I cordially agree with Herr Streicher's dislike of smoking, however, and I should be inclined for the thirty-first time to give it up, if Herr Streicher had not gone to suggest that, if one abstained from tobacco, one might become one of the men who do big things, like Hitler and Mussolini.

I confess, when I read this, my resolution wavered, for, if there is one thing that I want to be saved from, it is doing big things like Hitler and Mussolini. If smoking alone can preserve me from doing big things such as are being done in Europe today, then I feel I must for the sake of others go on smoking, whatever the cost to my health.

In the present state of things, it would not be fair to Europe for me to give up smoking.

Worse still, I was attacked by a megalomaniac, and became the victim of a delusion that the staff was worth publishing. I sent some of it to a friend of mine who edited a weekly paper, and was amazed when he returned it with the cold remark: "I refuse to publish the fruits of your abstinence," and an earnest entreaty to me to take up smoking again with all possible speed.

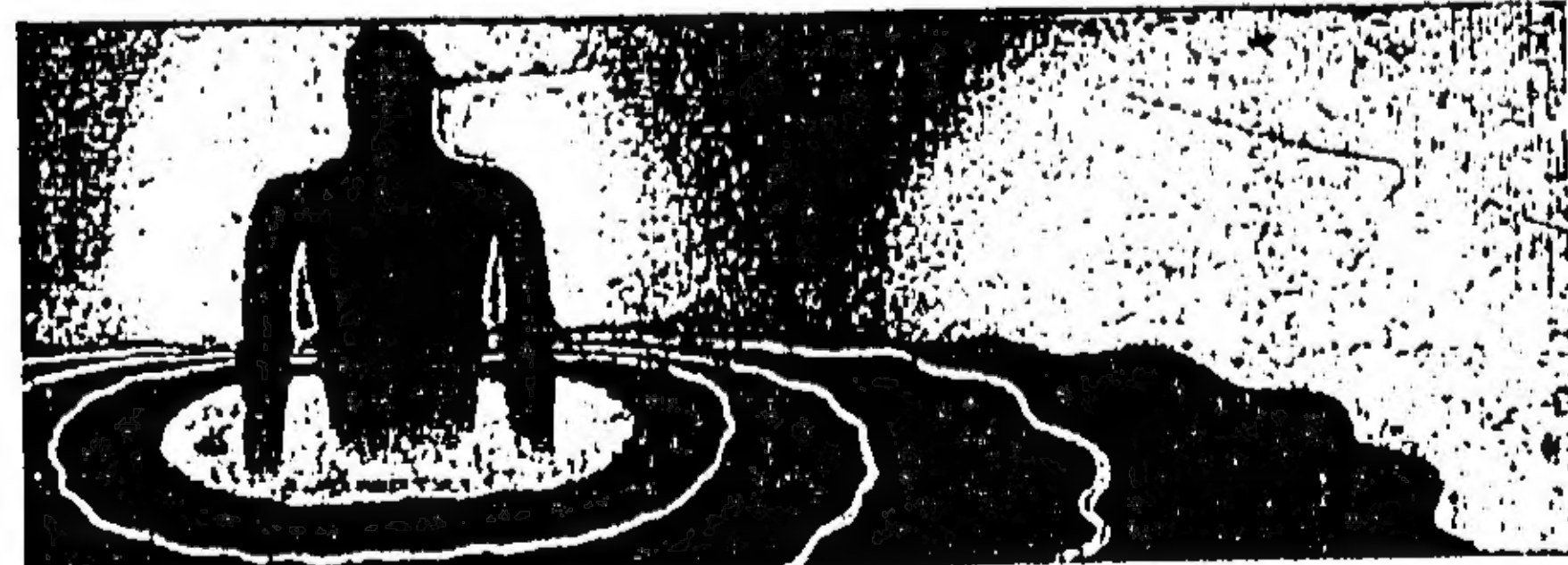
Had it not been for that friendly (if cruel) counsel, I might by now have been a hardened non-smoker and have inflicted on the world the worst epic poem in the English language.

Yes, smoking may make us cough, but, if it saves us from being epic poets and dictators, it is better that we should go on coughing.

I have examined all the arguments against smoking, and I must say most of them sound pretty unconvincing. Some people say that you will save money if you give up smoking; but all those of my friends who have given up smoking strenuously deny that they have saved a penny by it. My own feeling is that either you are born to save money or you are not; and that a thrifty non-smoker is more likely to have an over-draft at the bank than a thrifty smoker.

Another argument against the use of tobacco is that it is a mark of weakness—a symptom of anxiety, nervousness or a psychologist has put it—and that we ought to give up tobacco in order to strengthen our character. If tobacco is really a medicine against anxiety, however, it seems to me it should be commended like any other beneficial medicine. Strongly though I disapprove of tobacco, if it can lull my anxiety in this very anxious world I will go on using it.

The only good reasons I have heard for giving up smoking are purely selfish ones—that it will lengthen



SUPERSTITION has always been a concomitant factor in every act of the drama of human life. From the cradle to the grave, its influence never leaves us, and especially is this true in connection with the final sequence; for, after all, death is the greatest of mysteries which no one ever faces understandingly.

Beliefs connected with the passing of the human soul have obtained therefore the widest acceptance, and although customs may vary in different parts of the world, sentiment is fundamentally similar.

East and West are largely motivated by the same thoughts, and regardless of how utterly bizarre a local practice may be, it is certainly not without a counter-part in some other portion of the globe.

CHINA has long been considered as the repository of strange beliefs and still stranger practices, and some of these have been held up as unique

by  
T. Paul Gregory

Instance, the Chinese notion of purchasing the coffin long before the advent of the Grim Reaper has been regarded as odd; yet this is said to be a not unusual proceeding even to this day in parts of Germany, where the practical-minded peasants have the same utilitarian outlook as that of the Chinese people.

After all, death is an inevitable episode; is it not therefore best to look forward to its coming with calm and untroubled feelings?

THE practical, however, is much more commingled with superstition in China than elsewhere, and this is especially true in the selection of the date for the funeral.

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## Forswear Tobacco Young Nazis Told

BERLIN, Dec. 30.

ADMONISHING GERMAN youth not to smoke, the Reich Youth Leader, Baldur von Schirach, in a New Year's message to Hitler Youth, comprising boys from 14 to 18, and girls from 14 to 21 years of age, emphasised that sporting achievements and smoking are incompatible. "No formal prohibition of alcohol and nicotine will be issued for Hitler Youth," the message reads, "but I believe this sport of the more as since you all must show to the Führer your own decision, that you will follow his lead, and abstain from these things."

From the Hongkong "Telegraph" last Saturday.

one's life, or cure other people who do not share his one's catarrh, or tastes and complaining of people who give one a better smoke in trains and theatres. The pulse for good tobacco on the other hand, never interferes with anybody, or dreams of complaining because non-smokers don't smoke in trains and theatres. I can sit beside a non-smoker without exhibiting any signs of disgust or discomfort. But I have met non-smokers who exhibited signs of extreme disgust and discomfort when I lit a cigarette in their company.

I remember once pressing a friend to give up smoking for these and other reasons, and he answered me with a sad and saintly head-shake. "I should like to do what you advise, but I have to think of my wife and children."

"How can it affect them?" I asked. "Well," he said, "When I give up smoking, I cease to be a normal good-natured human being, and become like a bear with a sore head, a lion with a thorn in its foot, a dog that has been stung by a wasp; and my wife and children live under a reign of terror. The last time I was selfish enough to give up smoking my wife we-sought me for the sake of the children to take to my pipe again. I disapprove of smoking as much as you do, but, so far as I am concerned, that touch about the kids settled the matter."

When you come to think of it, the unselfishness of the smoker presents a curious contrast to the selfishness of the non-smoker. The non-smoker goes about the world interfering with

Meanwhile, I suppose, I shall go on trying to give up smoking and finding that for a man of even ordinary decent moral principles it is impossible to do so.

## GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"I thought I lost a \$20 bill, but Charlie tells me I spent it here last night—Boy! was I relieved!"

## Superstition In China

the corpse. Of course, custom has universally decreed that the best of the clothing of the deceased should be left in the room in which it lies. The Chinese have certain ideas about this which are unusual.

For instance, they conceive that the material for the shroud must be either silk, crape, or cotton, and the garments must be so put on that there are more on the upper portion of the trunk than on the lower. At least nine garments must be worn, and so distributed that the ratio between the upper and lower part of the body must be as five to four respectively.

Moreover, in the case of the very wealthy, the number of pieces of clothing is increased by two so that there are eleven garments in all. Of course, in the case of the poor, the rule cannot be followed, but in either case, rich or poor, the Chinese are careful to see that the lower garments of the corpse are not held in place by a too-tight, or girdle, as that would be highly inauspicious, implying that the deceased had been seized by the evil forces of the underworld. If such an article were added, it would "lead, or 'carry away' all the accumulated luck and fortune of the family."

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## New Year's Eve at Kowloon Cricket Club



MR. NEVILLE CHAMBERLAIN appeared at the K.C.C. Dance in the person of Mr. G. Gillard, who was made up by Victor S. Mamak.—Jaffer.



K.C.C. NEW YEAR DANCE. Miss N. Markham, Mrs. T. A. Madar, Mr. Douhdoff, Mrs. Horenstein, Mr. Herbert Becker, Mr. Peckwood, Mr. Prue, Mrs. Peckwood and Mrs. Prue caught by the camera-man.—Jaffer.



NEW YEAR'S EVE. A section of the dancers at the Kowloon Cricket Club New Year's Eve dance.—Jaffer.



HENRY VIII. Mr. W. W. Hirst, winner of the Fancy Dress competition. He was made up by Victor S. Mamak.—Jaffer.



ON WITH THE DANCE. A group of dancers at the K.C.C. dance caught by the cameraman from the balcony.—Jaffer.

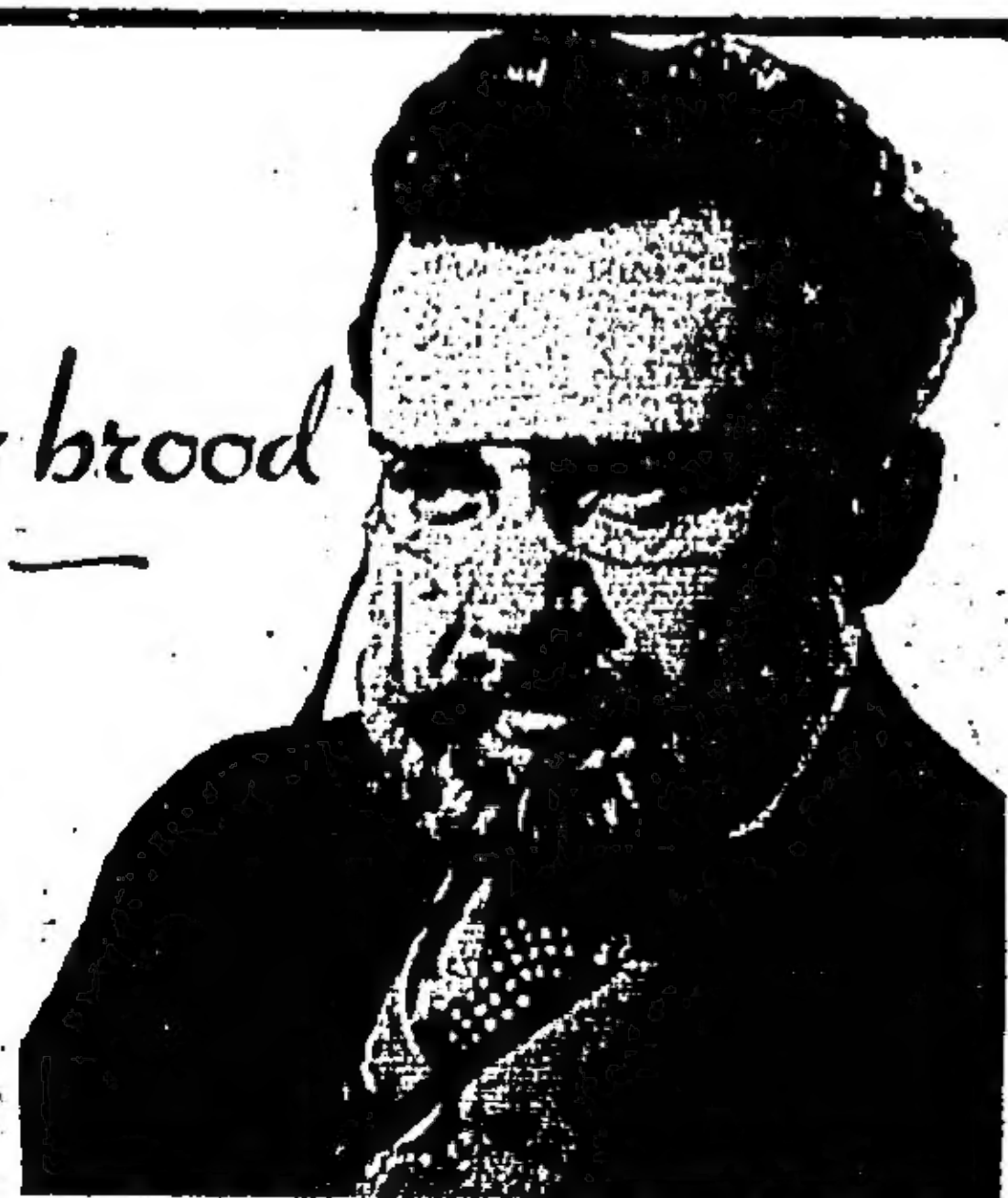


ENJOYABLE DANCE. Part of the large crowd who brought in the New Year at the K.C.C. Dance. Among those seen above are Miss M. Adams, Mr. N. Mackay, Mr. A. MacFarlane, Mrs. B. Wylie and Mr. J. Tacchi.—Jaffer.



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# OF COURSE YOU KNOW, BUT ARE YOU SURE?

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1.—Those Communists you hear people talking about—when they salute they do it with:—

Both hands; a hammer and sickle; the open hand; the clenched fist; their thumb and forefinger.

2.—In addition to the Fahrenheit and the centigrade thermometers, there is another important one called the:—

Thermos; Pasteur; Lister; Reaumur; Statotherm; Metertherm.

3.—The year 1666 is very important in English history because that is the year:—

William the Conqueror landed; of Henry VIII's death; of the Great Fire; the Armada was beaten; of the defeat of the Corn Laws.

4.—Even though you may not have seen or heard her, surely you have heard of "the Swedish nightingale," whose name was:—

Gall; Curci; Madame Melba; Toti dal Monte; Jenny Lind; Greta Garbo.

5.—Of course you know the main purpose of a camel's hump is:—

For conserving water; so it can't lie on its back; protection for the heart; for storing fat; to prevent people riding it bareback.

6.—All normal persons in full possession of their faculties have tympanic membranes—and

they also know that these membranes are in their:—

Feet; hands; eyes; lungs; ears; nostrils.

7.—That Gran Chaco war that was going on for years and years was a row between:—

Bolivia and Uruguay; Argentina and Brazil; Mexico and U.S.A.; Chile and Peru; Bolivia and Paraguay; La Corona and the Cigar Trust.

8.—Diatoms is a neat little word meaning a group of:—

Musical notes; small microbes; plant life; geometric measurements.

9.—The side of a right angle triangle opposite the right angle is called the:—

Hypocrite; hypothesis; hypotenuse; hypochloride; hippopotamus.

10.—If, in your study of the Bible you have got as far as the Book of Deuteronomy, you will know that the biblical character who has most to say in it is:—

David; Adam; Esau; Moses; Solomon; Cain.

11.—If the bank has any money you can always cash a cheque due on a bank holiday:—

By ringing up the manager's wife; on the day before the holiday; on the day after the holiday; by going out to the teller's house.

12.—All you know about British flags won't amount to much if you don't know the British red ensign is the flag of the:—

Royal Navy; Royal Yacht Squadron; Royal Naval Reserve; British Mercantile Marine; Royal Air Force.

13.—And talking about flags—that part of the flag nearest the mast is called the:—

Hoist; fly; halyard; hoist; jack; guy.

14.—Last time I saw Murquoyd he was growing a Vandyke beard, which is:—

Extremely long; cleft in the middle; cut square round the chin; pointed; worn on one side of the face only.

15.—Even with both hands tied behind your back you should be able to work out the cubic contents in cubic feet of a box 24 inches by 12 inches by 12 inches. It is:—

One; two; three; four; 144; 2240.

16.—Italy, you must remember, entered the Great War in:—

1914; 1915; 1916; 1917; 1918.

17.—Most of the old European capital cities had other names in days gone by. Lutetia, for instance, was the city now known as:—

Rome; Lisbon; Berlin; Paris; Vienna; Naples.

18.—If someone got really mad at you and said: "You ovine looking numbskull!" by ovine they would be implying that you looked like a:—

Dog; rat; bull; pig; sheep; orang-outang.

19.—Everyone knows the name of the next Governor-General of Australia—but do you know which of these was the first:—

Duke of Edinburgh; Lord Hopetoun; Lord Forster; Lord Northcote; Lord Somers.

20.—The brother of a famous international figure was killed recently. His name was:—

Chamberlain; Hitler; (Continued on Next Column.)

# DEATH OF A DICTATOR

**THE** assassination of Count Feodor Strogovskii, the "Iron Dictator" of the little State of Rubelia, was one of the major sensations of 1938—

The Count, who was supposed to be visiting London incognito, was shot down in the West End as he was leaving a diplomatic reception on the very last night of his visit.

His assassination, it must be admitted, caused no great surprise in view of the hatred with which he was regarded in his own country, and the knowledge—by no means confined to Scotland Yard—that a group of anarchists, sympathisers with the victims of the Strogovskii regime, had long been plotting against him over here.

The dead Dictator had, in somewhat forcible language, declined all offers of police protection. He and a secretary who accompanied him pretty well everywhere were, of course, both armed. When the vital moment arrived, however, both Strogovskii and his secretary were momentarily off their guard, and the Dictator's assailant succeeded not only in shooting him but in making good his own escape.

To Joshua Playfair was assigned the task of tracking down and arresting the murderer.

Mussolini; Stalin; Franco; Daladier.

21.—Recently a doctor extracted a peanut from a little boy's lung with a:—

Stethoscope; horseshoe; telescope; bronchoscope; laryngoscope; fishing line.

22.—One of these statements about the Duke of Kent would be correct:—

He is next in line for the Throne. He is an expert air pilot. He was best man at the Duke of Windsor's wedding.

He is said to be godfather of more children than anyone else in England.

23.—Mulligatawny, properly made, is a genuine:—

Shell fish soup; venison stew; curry soup; lobster mayonnaise.

24.—Just imagine for a moment or two that you are a boll weevil—in which one of these crops would you be most contented?—

Wheat; potato; onion; wool; cotton; banana.

25.—An easy one to send you home in a good mood. A mastodon is:—

A breed of British dog; head don of a university; a Chinese aristocrat; a prehistoric mammal; a large South Seas fish.

(Answers on Page 3.)

## PUZZLE CORNER

**Cryptogram**  
It's a fact about movement: EBSUACB DG HIB BUJHIC JDUHUKDL CNDDB JCKLKP JGDN U SUNQKJB RKTJ JBXDTXB SDALHBJSTDSOR-KCB.

**A Rebus**  
The letters below, in their present positions, represent a 10-letter word in rebus form. The lines below give a clue:  
CUPSH

Very useful when we're sewing  
We like to have it near,  
For if we do misplace it,  
All scattered is our gear.

**Letter Changing**  
Following the usual rules, try changing LESS to MORE.

**How Long?**  
If a boy can do a piece of work in 15 days, which a man can do in 9 days, how long will it take both, working together, to do it?

**Fun With Synonyms**  
More words and their synonyms, to-day:

|                |                |
|----------------|----------------|
| 1. Happiness   | 2. Integrity   |
| 3. Quantity    | 4. Porous      |
| 5. Domestic    | 6. Bliss       |
| 7. Honesty     | 8. Fairness    |
| 9. Arrangement | 10. Journey    |
| 11. Large      | 12. Parcel     |
| 13. Justice    | 14. Swift      |
| 15. Landscape  | 16. Collection |
| 17. Late       | 18. Effort     |
| 19. Satire     | 20. Disdain    |

(Answers Appear on Page 3.)

## INSPECTOR PLAYFAIR

EPISODE 93

derer. It was about a quarter past eleven when the actual crime took place, and, by a quarter to twelve, Playfair, hastily summoned to the Yard, had the situation well in hand.

"This is one of those crimes, Dumbell," he observed to his second-in-command, "where at least we shan't have far to look for our criminal. Whether we can bring him to book is another matter, of course." He took out a half-sheet of paper, on which were written three names:

ALEXIS TZAROFF  
MICHAEL PAUL TZAROFF

ANNA LYDIA PETROVNA

"In that triumvirate, Dumbell, you've the spearhead of the anti-Strogovskii conspiracy."

"The brothers Tzaroff, live, I believe, in a small house at Warrington, about 60 miles from town. Our first job is to discover, through the local police, whether they're both there; and, if not, what their movements are supposed to be. The woman, Petrovna, has, so far as I know, no permanent address, but I don't mind betting she's somewhere in the neighbourhood."

He took up the telephone receiver.

Meanwhile, Alexis Tzaroff, in his second-hand Bentley, was speeding towards his base at Warrington. His plans had been carefully laid. He and his twin brother were chess players—they had tied for second place at Margate only the year before—and they had worked out the moves in the drama of Strogovskii's murder much as a chess player plans his moves over the board.

"What we must do, Michael," Alexis had said, "is to consider the reactions of Scotland Yard and take whatever counter-measures are appropriate."

Alexis was well aware that even before the drama reached its climax he and his brother would be marked men.

He was not surprised when his car was stopped three miles from the town; he was not surprised, either, when, five minutes later, he was proceeding on his way unsuspected. For his car was travelling under false number plates, corroborated by a faked registration book and a faked driver's licence, and Alexis himself was so efficiently disguised that the somewhat raw constable, who entered his particulars in an

almost virgin notebook, did not even realise afterwards that it was the villain of the piece who had, at that moment, slipped through his fingers.

So busy, indeed, was he taking down registration numbers and personal particulars concerning the occupant of the car—all, of course, convincingly thought out beforehand—that he omitted to note what make of car he was investigating; so that the manner in which Alexis, complete with car, broke through the police cordon was never satisfactorily cleared up.

Alexis Tzaroff, if the truth were told, had thoroughly enjoyed his adventure. He was exhilarated by the thought that, whatever its consequences, he had rid the world of one more despot, and he was pleasurably excited by the successful outcome of his battle of wits with the police.

Far otherwise was it with his brother and Lydia Petrovna, who, in agonised suspense, awaited in the brothers' suburban villa the outcome of their plot. They had agreed with Alexis that he need not telephone them unless something, accountably, went wrong. But suppose that something went wrong and Alexis was unable to telephone? That was the fear that, like a miasma, hung over them.

## BRIDGE PROBLEM

This Week's Problem  
No. 91

There are no trumps. South leads and North-South have to win two of the eight tricks.  
Solutions by first post Wednesday to "Bridge Problem," Hongkong Telegraph.

**SOLUTION OF PROBLEM NO. 90**

A trump spade is led to the first trick by South and North wins with the ace, then the king, and plays a third round which is won by either West or East according to their discards on the previous tricks.

(a) If West wins he cannot lead a diamond else he would at once set up three diamond tricks and he therefore leads a club which North wins with the ace, and East's safest discard is a heart. South discards a diamond. North leads the last trump and to protect his hearts East must this time throw a diamond. South also discards a diamond and West must discard a club. North plays the diamond eight to South's king and South follows with king of hearts and West is squeezed so that he must unguard his diamonds or throw his top club; North discards the reverse and wins either two diamonds, or with diamond ace and his club five.

(b) If East wins the third lead of trumps, his best return is a heart, which South's king wins and West discards a club and North a diamond. North is put in with ace of diamonds and wins with ace of clubs, on which East discards a heart, and South a diamond. North now leads the last trump; East must retain his heart and discard a diamond. South throws his heart, and West is in turn squeezed, for he must either throw the master club in which case North's five makes, or throw a diamond in which case South wins two diamond tricks.

Although the problem was not difficult and the correct solutions are too numerous to publish, a number could not solve the variation in which East wins the third trick, and say so. This is the variation which many say they preferred.

They amused themselves by playing chess. But the minutes, leaden-footed, went by like hours.

At five minutes to twelve the phone bell rang. "Yes?" said Michael, putting his car to the receiver. For a few seconds there was silence.

"It's Alexis," cried Lydia. "I know it is. I feel it. . . Oh, Michael, he has failed."

"Nonsense," answered Michael sharply. "Control yourself Lydia. And don't talk—this may be the police."

A voice at the other end said: "Is that Mr. Alexis Tzaroff?"

"Alexis Tzaroff speaking," answered Michael without a moment's hesitation.

"I'm so sorry. It wasn't Mr. Alexis I wanted. It was Mr. Michael."

"I'll get him for you," said Michael. "I think he's cleaning his car."

He put his hand over the receiver. "Listen, Lydia," he whispered, "hold the line. I'll be back in four or five minutes. But on no account answer if whoever's at the other end speaks."

Lydia did as she was told. But in a few moments the line went dead. Their mysterious interlocutor had rung off.

Ten minutes later the local police arrived. Lydia slipped out at the back door. Michael Tzaroff, meanwhile, was explaining to Sergeant Crump that he and his brother had spent the evening alone, playing chess. The game had finished, he said, not many minutes before: his brother had wandered out to the garage and would be back at any moment. And, while he was speaking, Alexis Tzaroff arrived; to confirm, in every detail, Michael's story.

**THE BROTHERS TZAROFF WERE ARRESTED THE FOLLOWING DAY. WHY?**

Solution on Page Three

## A Lay Sermon

By Hugh Redwood

WHY did she leave her waterpot? Because (says someone, surprised at the question) she was so full of what Jesus had told her that she forgot what she had come to the well for.

I wonder. It was noon, remember, the woman then thirstiest time left her waterpot of the day, and John, iv. 28 the talk had begun. "Living," ever-available water which, so she thought at first, would save her many a wearisome journey. No, I hardly think she forgot. I think the reason she left her waterpot was that she couldn't run with a waterpot on her head.

Christ was here at the well; she must hurry. She must bring the others before He passed on. And men could say later, because she did so: "Now we believe, for we have heard Him ourselves." Some of us are so concerned with our waterpots that we never hurry. Others of us hurry continually, neglecting our waterpots altogether, which is not a good way of preaching the Gospel. I think the woman of Sychar came back to the well again, often. But I don't think that ever again she found her waterpot quite such a burden.



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**Tragedy of a tired-looking bridesmaid**

It's going to be GLORIOUS! Where's my bouquet? I'm so thrilled! THINKS: How I dread this! I look awful beside the others and this tiredness!

What a lovely couple! and the bridesmaids, aren't they sweet. Pity Betty looks so dull—spoils it rather.

From a wedding comes a wedding, but not for Betty if you ask me!

**NEXT MORNING**  
I don't want to see the wedding picture. I know look dreadful! Betty darling! what is the matter. You even wake tired these days. You ought to see a doctor!

**AT THE DOCTOR'S**  
...this waking tired tells on your whole appearance. During sleep you burn up energy by breathing and other automatic actions. If this energy is not replaced of course you wake tired. It's Night Starvation!

and so every night:

**TWO MONTHS LATER**

Oh, mummy, I'm so thankful to you for helping me!

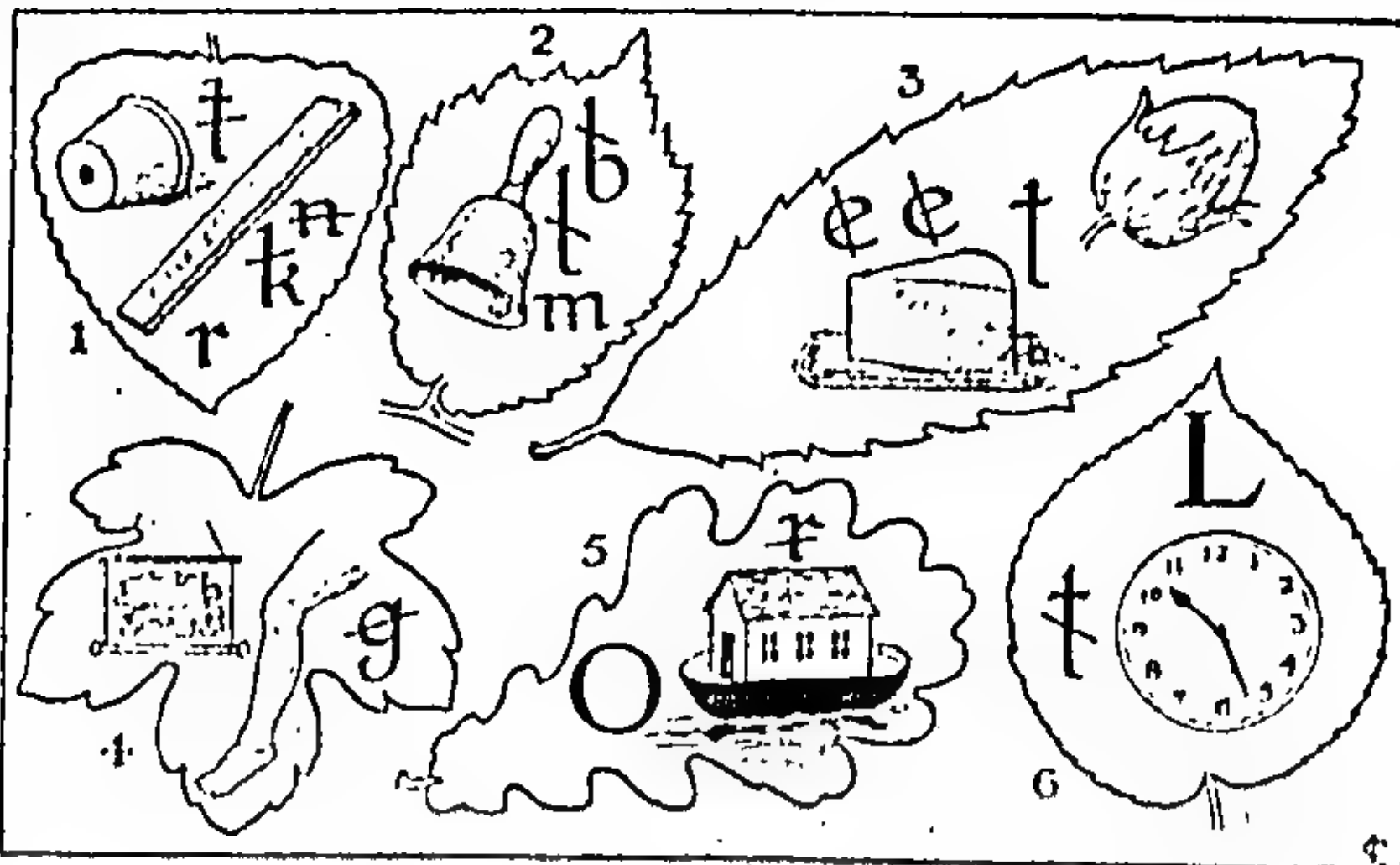
Does your daughter wake tired?

WAKING TIRED affects a girl in her appearance and personality. She never looks and never feels her best. She's unfairly handicapped. Give her Horlicks—a cupful regularly at night. She'll wake refreshed—full of energy and sparkle. Get Horlicks today.

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## Girls' and Boys' Corner



This is all my own work

Address .....

Name .....

Age .....

Dear Kiddies,  
I am afraid many of you did not read the rules of last week's competition. You were asked to study the picture carefully and then colour only the crackers which were exactly alike in design. Some of you coloured all the crackers and others coloured only three. Actually there were four crackers which were alike in design.

The prize-winners this week are:—

Wong Yung-ting (aged 13),  
Rhenish Mission Church.

Ann Hunter (aged 8), 11,  
Leighton Hill.

Horst Korner (aged 6½), 5,  
Basilea.

Coupons are being sent to  
Wong Yung-ting, Ann and  
Horst which I want them to  
bring to the Hongkong Tele-  
graph offices in Wyndham  
Street. The coupons will then  
be exchanged for money prizes.

Specially commended for cor-  
rect solutions and excellent  
colouring are the following:—

Seniors: James Sanders, Ho  
Man-chun, Paul Vessouona,  
Maude Suen, Jill Stokes, Mary  
Grace Asche.

Intermediates: David Asche,  
Anthony Cutcher, Marie  
Pomeroy, Eulalia Xavier, Con-  
stantin Bonhoff, Lore Korner.

Juniors: Judy Price, P. Wong,  
Maurice Dobson.

This week, kiddies, we are  
having a very simple competi-  
tion. The artist has shown the  
shapes of six different leaves of  
trees and inside them are the  
names of the trees in picture-  
puzzle style. You have to find  
the six names. They are all  
familiar. Having found the  
answers, write them in a neat  
numbered list on a postcard.  
Fill in the name, age and address,  
coupon and send to Uncle Eddie,

## Danger

JOHN D. CRAIG went to the  
bottom of the sea by way of the  
Indian jungle. "The bottom of the  
sea is my workshop," he says, and  
he explains in his autobiography  
(Danger Is My Business, Arthur  
Barker, 12s. 6d.) why he went there  
and why he made danger his busi-  
ness.

You have probably seen under-water  
shots or sequences in films—bright  
small fish flashing, sharks nosing, octo-  
pus tentacles eerily undulating, the  
villain in a diving dress stalking the  
hero (also in a diving dress) to cut his  
life line. And you may have said com-  
fortably, "Done in a tank."

On the contrary, Mr. Craig has spent  
ten of his thirty-five years with a di-  
ving crew and a battery of under-water  
cameras taking such pictures below  
the surface of the Pacific Ocean. Holly-  
wood's film libraries are full of his  
work, ready to be fitted into any  
picture.

But he is not merely a film stunt  
artist. After testing different kinds  
of danger, he has made diving his  
study. He and his friend Gene Nohl,  
in a diving dress of their own inven-  
tion, were the first men to carry out  
an under-water broadcast. The Craig-  
Nohl dress achieved a new world's  
record dive of 420 feet.

The pith of the book lies not so much  
in his adventures as in his effort to  
explain the true nature of the different  
kinds of danger that a man may meet  
if he chooses.

The tiger, for instance, merely finds  
you curious when he meets you in the  
jungle. If you let him look at you  
long enough, he will get bored and  
wander away. The octopus will let go  
after a while, if you don't make him  
think you must be good to eat by  
struggling.

Much less easy to endure, it may  
seem to the reader, are the diver's  
aches and pains and discomforts—  
"sticky warm with cold blue hands."  
He puts one of the worst in a sentence  
—"undersea you can't scratch—you  
just itch and bear it." A. B. A.

c/o Hongkong Telegraph, Wynd-  
ham Street. The competition  
closes at 2 p.m. on Wednesday.  
Three prizes will be awarded.  
They will go to competitors  
whose answers are correct and,  
in my opinion, are the best writ-  
ten or printed. Age will also be  
taken into account.

Best of luck, kiddies.

P.S. I want to thank Timothy  
and Anthony Lee, Mansoor Ali,  
Eulalia Xavier and Teresa Mar-  
cel for their good wishes.

Uncle Eddie

## Book Reviews

# A Child is Born

## AND IT STILL MAKES A GOOD STORY

CONSIDERING how important it is  
to be born, you might think it odd  
how little attention the story-  
tellers paid to birth until, as it  
were, the day before yesterday.

The simple "begat" statements in the  
Bible have become altogether too laconic.  
It no longer suffices to list "four sons and  
eight daughters" after the casual manner of  
Victorian romances (I always find earlier  
writers incurably vague about the number of  
brothers and sisters their characters might  
have lurking in the darkness of the family  
background).

Childbirth, in short, has become good copy  
for the novelist. A terrifying business, you might  
imagine—enough to scare any woman out of her  
wits. And yet women are not scared so easily.  
Hosts of boys and girls are born every day.

And now Enid Bagnold has written a remark-  
able tale about a mother who enjoyed having  
children—The Squire (Helmman, 8s. 6d.). She  
brings an air of calm and balance to what was  
becoming an increasingly hectic and confusing  
situation.

True, the "Squire" was a wealthy woman,  
who already had four healthy youngsters. But  
she was the significant type and symbol of  
mothers who are to be found in all classes—  
women who, somehow or other, can resolutely  
shut out all worries and face all dangers in their  
single-minded dedication to their task.

The story is as simple—and as  
fundamental—as A B C. For a few  
days we enter the life of a household  
in which everything leads up to the  
anticipated event. Preparations must  
be made—not too soon, and not too  
late. Distractions must be cleared  
away.

★ ★ ★

WE watch a grand conspiracy  
of women to ensure that  
nothing, absolutely nothing, shall  
be allowed to interfere with the  
safe coming of the child.

And round that central mystery of  
the oldest ritual in the world Miss  
Bagnold has grouped several convinc-  
ing if minor human beings—the  
drunken cook, the slightly housemaid,  
the sullen butler, the young girl in  
love, the four children already tread-  
ing their different, and perhaps diffi-  
cult, paths in life.

The child is born, and the house  
resumes its normal, quiet and routine.  
The mother writes to her old friend  
band "her final weekly chronicle, her  
last report of the children and his  
home."

Night closed more deeply down and  
lights were put out. Outside the black  
sky opened wider and showed by its  
signals its immensity. The squire's  
village, her white house and its black  
windows rolled with the rest of the  
world among the wheels and geo-  
metrical terrors of heaven.

Those are the closing words of this  
sane, quiet, well-proportioned book,  
one of the most dignified and distin-  
guished stories I have read for a long,  
long time.

★ ★ ★

JUST over a hundred years ago  
a shock-headed lad of seven-  
teen suddenly appeared in the  
streets of Nuremberg. He could  
neither walk nor speak. But he  
could write the name of Caspar  
Huser. . . . And where did he

## TASTY MR. TURNER

I CAN well imagine that of all  
the trials that beset genius  
the most alarming is the prospect  
of becoming a professional bio-  
grapher's prey.

J. M. W. Turner, the painter, is a  
tasty morsel for a hungry biographer.  
He was ugly, and he worshipped  
beauty. He was a barber's son who  
became famous. He painted the sun  
more dazzling than ever before, but  
his home in London was dark and evil-  
smelling.

He was a Royal Academician, but he  
lived without benefit of clergy with  
two women, begot illegitimate chil-  
dren and hid himself behind the false  
name of Pugy Booth. He made  
£140,000 with his paintbrush and left  
his daughter without so much as a  
toothbrush.

But Bernard Falk (Turner the  
Painter, Hutchinson, 18s.) has done  
him proud. His book is just and re-  
spectful, as well as being informative,

tirelessly documented and extremely  
entertaining.

Lively stories abound. Of how, for  
example, the noble Marquess of Lans-  
downe calling at Turner's slovenly  
home in Marylebone where the painter  
dwelt with a disfigured housekeeper  
and seven Marx cats, was mistaken for  
the cat-meat man.

But no story illustrates more com-  
pletely how a great artist is always an  
alien in organised society than an  
account here of Turner curing a  
French railway guard for not holding  
up the train to allow him to complete  
a sunrise sketch.

"Damn the fellow!" complained  
Turner. "He has no feeling!" S. F.

The map which illustrated Hugh  
Quigley's article on Czechoslovakia  
yesterday was reproduced by permis-  
sion of the Royal Institute for Interna-  
tional Affairs, from a sheet of four  
maps issued in connection with the  
crisis.

## Are You Sure?

(Questions on Page 2)

- 1 The clenched 14 Pointed.  
1st. 15 Two feet.
- 2 Renumer. 10 1915 (May).
- 3 Of the Great 17 Paris.  
Fire. 18 Sheep.
- 4 Jenny Lind. 19 Lord Hope.
- 5 For storing oun.  
Int. 20 Franco.
- 6 Ears. 21 Bronchoscope.
- 7 Bolivia and 22 He is said to  
Paraguay. be godfather
- 8 Plant life. of more chil-
- 9 Hypotenuse. dren than
- 10 Moses. anyone else in
- 11 On the day England.  
after the holli- 23 Curry soup.
- 12 British mer- 24 Cotton.
- 13 Holst. 25 Prehistoric  
canile marine. mammal.

## Puzzle Corner Answers

Cryptogram: Because of  
the earth's rotation, smoke  
rising from a campfire will  
revolve counterclockwise.

A Rebus: P in CUSH I  
on, Pincushion.

Letter Changing: Less,  
loss, lose, lore, more.  
How Long?: 5½ days.  
Fun With Synonyms:  
Happiness—bliss; quantity  
—collection; domicile —  
abode; honesty—integrity;  
arrogance—disdain; image  
—effigy; justice—fairness;  
landscape—panorama; leave  
—permission; march—jour-  
ney.

INSPECTOR PLAYFAIR  
SOLUTION

The mysterious phone call  
was from Playfair, who had  
overheard Lydia's indiscreet  
remark to Michael.

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stories in ring history than the  
famous fights under Queensberry  
rules. Probably the most classical  
was the remarkable fight for the  
world heavy-weight championship  
between that gaunt, freakish  
figure, red-headed, Cornish-born,  
Bob Fitzsimmons, and the former  
bank clerk, James J. Corbett.

The day was March 17, 1897. The  
scene: Carson City, Nevada. I knew  
most of the principals in that ever-to-  
be remembered drama. L. A. O.  
Strong has resurrected this epic in  
Shake Hands and Come Out Fighting  
(Chapman and Hall, 10s. 6d.).

He recaptures the old thrills. Re-  
calls the boxing heroes in the closing  
years of the old century. We can  
visualise the swaying fortunes of the  
two gladiators.

★ ★ ★

Corbett sending his opponent to the  
canvas, where he rests on one knee,  
while blood drips from his nostrils. The  
roar of the crowd, the timekeeper's  
voice " . . . six, seven, eight." Fitz  
places while Corbett's supporters are delirious  
with joy. . . . Their amazement as Fitz  
recovers, to eventually win the coveted  
title with his famous "solar-plexus"  
punch.

Pandemonium reigns. Fitz leans  
across the ropes and kisses his wife  
full on the lips, leaving her face red  
with blood.

There are descriptions, too, of more  
recent fights. Carpenter, Jack Demp-  
sey and Bombardier Wells, but they do  
not interest as those which figure  
Tommy Burns, Jack Johnson and Jim  
Jeffries, those giants of an almost for-  
gotten age. J. B.

## The SNAPSHOT GUILD

SNAPSHOTS AT NIGHT



Night snapshots are easy with simple lighting arrangements. It's fun, too,  
to create "table-top" picture scenes as shown here.

SNAPSHOTS at night are fun, and  
a delightful way to spend long  
winter evenings. Nowadays, with in-  
expensive lighting equipment espe-  
cially designed for the amateur,  
night snapshots are easy with any  
camera.

You can arrange interesting and  
artistic "table-top" pictures, using  
toy automobiles, doll houses and  
miniature furniture, with a bit of  
dark carpet for grass, or sugar for  
snow, or a bit of glass on top of a  
dark surface to portray a quiet pool.

You can also take informal portraits  
of members of the family, pictures  
of them reading or busy with other  
activities, snapshots of the pots, and  
interior views of the home. Indeed,  
there is a wonderful range of pic-  
ture chances, none of which occur  
outdoors.

The picture above shows how  
night snapshots are made. A photo  
bulb is screwed into a bridge lamp,  
with a cardboard reflector replacing  
the lampshade. The photo bulb  
yields an extremely bright white  
light, especially suited for picture-  
taking. With two large photo bulbs  
in cardboard reflectors, three or four  
feet from the subject, you have  
enough light for snapshots with a  
box camera. With a focusing type  
camera you would get satisfactory

results by setting the lens aperture  
at f.11 and the shutter speed at 1/25  
of a second.

In the picture shown here, the  
light colored wall serves as a reflector  
to illuminate the shadow side of the  
"table-top" scene. Ordinarily, two  
lamps are used for a picture, one  
to illuminate each side of a sub-  
ject. By changing the angle and po-  
sition of the lights, many interesting  
shadow effects can be obtained. A  
piece of cardboard can serve as a  
background as in the picture above.

For night snapshots, the camera  
should be loaded with a fast film of  
the "super" type. With slower films,  
it is necessary to provide two  
or three times as much light. And  
portrait attachment must be placed on  
the camera lens (unless yours is one  
of the finer focusing cameras).

In night picture-taking, it is im-  
portant to have your photo lights at  
a correct distance from the subject  
—not too near, and not too far away.  
An exposure guide is helpful in plac-  
ing the lights—or you can make sev-  
eral "test" pictures of each scene.

Don't miss the fun of night snap-  
shots this winter. You will learn  
much about picture-taking, and pro-  
vide many an interesting addition to  
your album.

John van Guilder.

Tiny Baby Foot-  
Printed

Eureka, Cal.  
Humboldt county authorities figure  
they have the record for the youngest  
finger-printed and foot-printed person  
in northern California. It is a baby,  
just 33 days old. The mother had  
just been thumb-printed for a driver's  
licence when she decided that it was  
never too soon to get her baby  
started on the finger-printed way.

Deer Challenges  
Auto

Goderich, Ont.  
A 200-pound deer challenged a  
motorist's right to use a highway  
here and ended up as a meal for  
needy families in Bayfield, Village.  
An automobile driven by Leonard  
Sararas struck the stag as it emerged  
from a ditch and faced the car with  
head down.





NEW YEAR'S EVE DANCE. Group photograph taken at an enjoyable dance held aboard H.M.S. Cornflower on New Year's Eve.—King's Studio.



ST. JOHN AMBULANCE. Group photograph of the party who welcomed Dr. Lee Ching-wah and Dr. Wong Shing-hang as Divisional Surgeons of the Kowloon Y.M.C.A. Division of the St. John Ambulance Brigade Overseas on New Year's Day.—King's Studio.

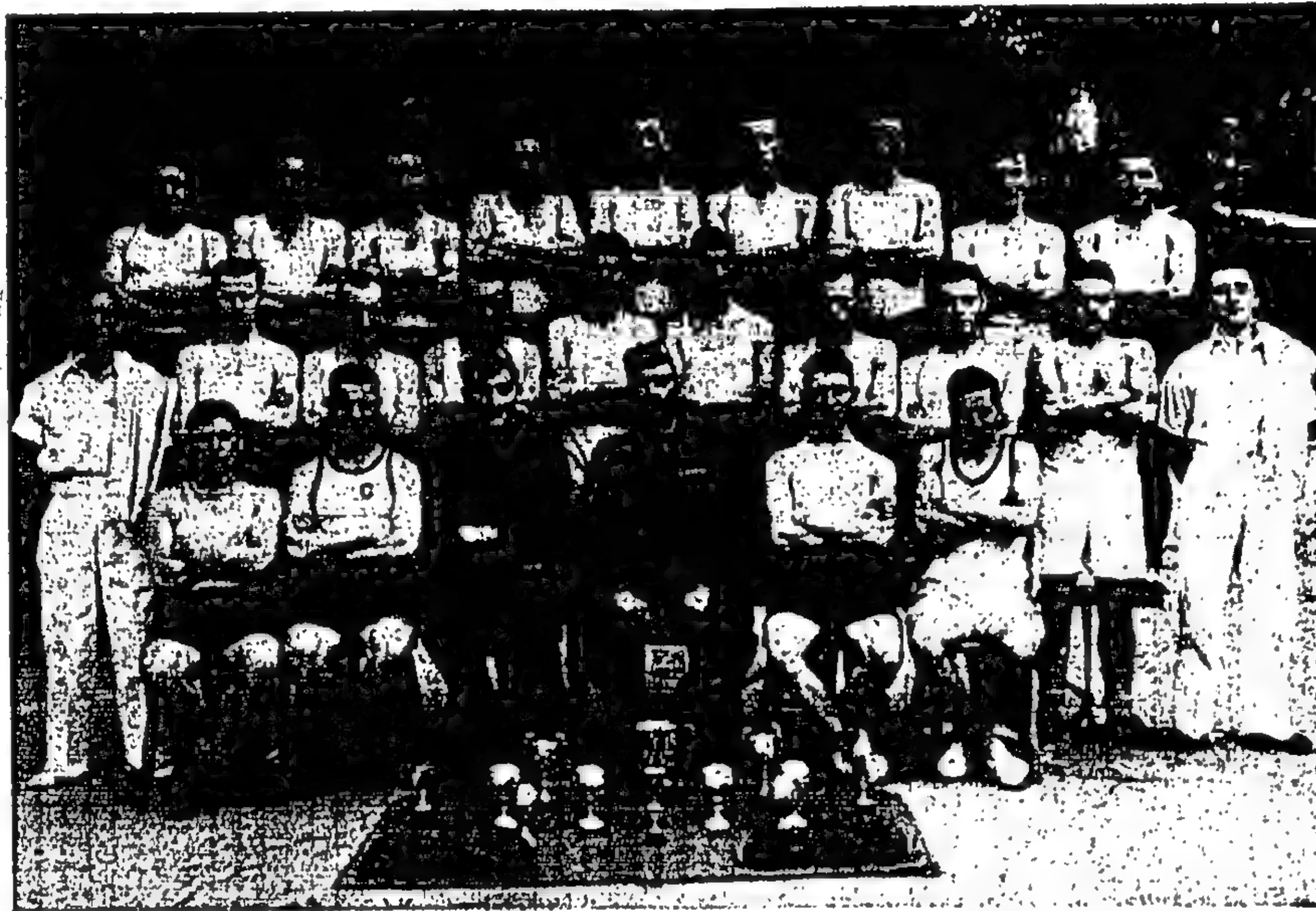
# DETAIL

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## The Office—Monday Morning

**VIGNETTES OF LIFE**  
By J. NORMAN LYND



BEFORE GETTING DOWN TO WORK IT IS NECESSARY TO REVIEW THE GOLF GAMES OF THE WEEKEND - HOLE BY HOLE.

THE MEMBER WHO HAD A MERRY TIME AND IS BUST - NOW TO MAKE A TOUCH



THE GIRLS SHOW THEIR TROPHIES OF THE HUNT - ENGAGEMENT RINGS AND SUCH LIKE.

THE ONE WHO DEVOTED SUNDAY TO SLEEP AND HASN'T WAKENED UP YET - ABOUT WEDNESDAY HE'LL BE BACK TO NORMAL.



"AND I SAID TO HIM 'HOLY MACKEREL!' I SAID 'WHAT'D Y PUT IN THAT COCKTAIL? DYNAMITE?'"



IF I FORGOT IT WAS HER BIRTHDAY I SAID IT WAS



THE ONE THAT GOT SO MUCH FRESH AIR IN HIS LUNGS ON SUNDAY A CLOSE OFFICE DOES HIM.



AT LEAST ONE OF THE STAFF IS A CAMERA FIEND AND BRINGS IN HIS NEGATIVES AND PRINTS TO BE PRAISED.





## COLONY'S WATER

### Reservoirs Continue To Show Decline

A further considerable decline in the contents of the Colony's reservoirs is revealed by the returns of the Water Works Department for the month of December.

Island reservoirs, at the beginning of this year, contained 1,352.38 million gallons as against 1,655.24 million at the corresponding time last year, while 347.41 million gallons were consumed by an estimated population of 550,000 people at a rate of 20.4 gallons per head per day during last month compared with 421.81 million gallons by 445,000 people at a rate of 30.6. Only 60.00 million gallons were supplied from the mainland as compared with 150.23 million on December, 1937.

On the mainland, reservoirs contained 1,653.29 million gallons last month, compared with 2,642.71, the Jubilee reservoir showing a decline of more than 900 million gallons. Consumption last month was 240.59 million gallons at an estimated population of 500,000 at a rate of 15.5 gallons per head per day; the corresponding figures being 253.09 million by 300,000 people at a rate of 21.0.

Laichikok waterborne dock was supplied with 9.67 million gallons in December.

An eight-hour daily supply applied throughout the Colony last month, whereas a constant supply was given in the previous December. The quality of the water was described as excellent by the Government Bacteriologist and Analyst.

The total rainfall recorded by the Royal Observatory for the year was only 55.55 inches, as against 82.5 inches in 1937.

## Y'S MEN'S CLUB

### Officials Appointed For The Year

The Hongkong Y's Men's Club has just concluded a successful year under the presidency of Mr. Peter H. Sin, it having contributed liberally to several deserving objects, and continued its maintenance of the Y's Men Free Vocational School for Under-Privileged Boys at Queen's Road West. The officers of the Club just elected for the current year are as follows: Dr. Li Shu-pui, President; Mr. S. B. Tan and Mr. C. P. Wong, Vice-Presidents; Mr. Lum K. Chu, Hon. Secretary, and Mr. James Choa, Hon. Treasurer. The new members of the Board of Directors comprise Messrs. Peter S. Wong, Wong Kwok-fong, Ho Shu-que, Wong Kam-yung, Albert Chan, and Peter H. Sin (ex-officio).

Dr. P. I. Tsung, a former President of the Club, succeeds Dr. Arthur W. Woo as Governor of the South China Y's Men's District, which embraces the clubs in Hongkong, Fook-chow, Kowloon, Amoy, and Amoy. Mr. William Vinson Lee, who has been Regional Director of the Y's Men's Movement of "Fellowship-Culture-Service" in China since 1924, is succeeded by Mr. Y. Lewis Mason, a former President of the Shanghai Y's Men's Club. Mr. Y. Lewis Mason was appointed Regional Director Emeritus of the last International Convention of Y's Men's Clubs held at Toronto, Canada. Of the ten Clubs in North and Central China, only four are functioning, namely Chungking, Shanghai, Tientsin, and South China, and Amoy are inactive. General J. L. Huang, the retiring Governor of the Central China Y's Men's District, was among the distinguished personages honoured by the Chinese Government on New Year's Day, being presented with a decoration in recognition of meritorious services to the country.

## SENT TO SIAM

### Chinese Who Said He Had Tried to Enlist

An 18-year-old Chinese who said that he had returned to China from Siam last year to join the Chinese Army, was bound over by Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Magistracy yesterday after he had pleaded guilty to stealing two geese from an open basket at Tai Hing on January 4.

Defendant Ho Ti, said he returned with 12 others. His services were not required, and he was sent back to Hongkong owing to some eye disease. He had stolen the geese to try and raise some money for his fare back, as his parents were still in Siam.

He was bound over in the sum of \$25 for one year, while \$15 was given to him from the Poor Box for his passage back to Siam.

Sergeant H. Mackay prosecuted.

## LOSS REPORTED

An overcoat valued at \$20 was lost by Mr. S. V. Boxer at the Hongkong University on Thursday.

## VISIT TO CANADA

### King Should Call and See Dionne Quins

Callander, Jan. 5. Dr. Allan R. Dafoe, physician to the Dionne Quins, said that he believes French Canadians will deeply regret the failure to include a visit to the Quins in the itinerary of their Majesties King George and Queen Elizabeth in their Canadian tour as the "babies are words of the King."

"Personally I don't care, but the Dominion Government is not showing much courtesy to the French in Canada," United Press.

## THE VOLUNTEERS

### Coirps Orders for The Coming Week

Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps orders for Lieut. Col. H. B. Ross, M.C., Commandant, Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps.

Friday, Jan. 6.

1. Parade for Presentation of Medals. H. E. the Governor will present Efficiency Medals at a parade at H.Q. on Friday next, January 13. O.C. Units have already been notified the numbers required to attend the parade.

Full in 5.30 p.m. Dress—Officers: S.D. cap, K.D. jacket, K.D. trousers, sword and medals. Other Ranks: S.D. cap, K.D. jacket, K.D. trousers, web belt, bayonet and medals.

### 2. Parade

(a) 1st Battery:

(i) Right Section—Thursday, January 12, 5.45 p.m. Dress—S.D. cap, overalls, gun platform shoes.

(ii) Left Section—Friday, January 13, 5.45 p.m. Dress—S.D. cap, overalls, gun platform shoes.

(b) 2nd Battery:

(i) Signalling Section—Friday, January 13, 5.45 p.m. Dress—S.D. cap, overalls, gun platform shoes.

(ii) Signalling Section—Wednesday, January 11, H.M.S. Tanager, 5.30 p.m. Gun drill. Thursday, January 12, H.M.S. Tanager, 5.30 p.m. Gun drill.

(c) Engineer Company:

(i) D. E. L. Section—Monday, January 9, H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Meeting. Thursday, January 12, Pak Sha Wan, D. E. L. Manning Exercise. Bus leaving Queen's Pier at 5.30 p.m.

(ii) Lyon Light Section—Monday, January 9, H.Q. 5.45 p.m. Arms Drill. Thursday, January 12, H.Q. 5.45 p.m. Squad Drill. Those detailed L. L. Instruction.

(d) Corps Signals—Tuesday, January 10, H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Arms Drill and Squad Drill.

(e) Machine Gun Troop—Tuesday, January 10, H.Q. 5.30 p.m. General description. Sunday, January 15, Stonecutters. Rifle Table B.

(f) Ammunition Car Section—Tuesday, January 10, H.Q. 5.30 p.m. A and B Class. Miniature Range. Sunday, January 15, Stonecutters. Rifle Table B.

(g) No. 1 M.G. Company—Friday, January 13, Presentation of medals. See para. 1 above. Sunday, January 15, Stonecutters. Rifle Table B.

(h) No. 2 M.G. Company—Thursday, January 12, H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Foot and Arms Drill. Sunday, January 15, Stonecutters. Rifle Table B.

(i) No. 3 M.G. Company—Monday, January 9, H.Q. 5.30 p.m. No. 9 Platoon. Miniature Range. Remainder—Strapping and assembling gun and lock. Points B.D.A.

(j) No. 4 M.G. Company—Sunday, January 8, Stonecutters. M.G. Part II. No. 13 Platoon and those members of No. 15 Platoon who have been detailed. Launch leaves Queen's Pier at 6.45 a.m. Dr. - Optional.

Wednesday, January 11, H.Q. 5.30 p.m. No. 14 Platoon. M.G. Training. Friday, January 13, Sgt. D. E. Davis and the detachment. See para. 1 above.

(k) Portuguese Company—Tuesday, January 10, H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Both Companies. A short talk by Major S. Jarvis, M.C., E.D.

(l) Medical Section—Wednesday, January 11, H.Q. 5.30 p.m.

(m) A.S.C. Company—Thursday, January 12, H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Lecture on Operation of Transport Pools by Major R. Robertson, R.A.S.C.

(n) Pay Section—Friday, January 13, C.S.O. Board Room. 5.30 p.m.

3. Change of Name

No. 2001 Spr. S. Bercevitich, R. O. D. Cadres will in future be known as No. 2001 Spr. S. Burke.

4. Leave

2001 Spr. S. Burke, R.O.D.C. Construction Sec., 24.12.38-23.3.39.

2007 L/Cpl. A. P. Pereira, A. A. Company, 6.1.39-5.4.39.

2201 Spr. H. A. Agnes, R.O.D.C. Construction Sec., 1.2.39-30.11.39.

5. Strength-Increase

3227 Gnr. G. P. Stone, 1st Battery, Right Section, 5.1.39.

S. F. Hingcor, Major, Adjutant, H. K. V. D. Corps.

### NOTICES

1. Presentation of Efficiency Medals. H. E. the Governor will kindly condescend to present Efficiency Medals at H.Q. on Friday, January 13, at 5.30 p.m. After the presentation there will be a Corps cocktail party to which ladies may be invited. The Commandant hopes that as many members of the Corps as possible will attend.

2. Committee Meeting. A meeting of the Corps Rifle Meeting Committee will be held at H.Q. at 5.30 p.m. on Friday, January 20. O.C. Units are requested to ensure the attendance of one member from each unit.

3. Sergeants' Mess Meeting. There will be a General Meeting in the Mess at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, January 31.

### AFFILIATED UNIT

Nursing Detachment, H.K.V.D. Corps.

1. Lecture. The next lecture on First Aid will be given by Professor L. T. Ridge at the P.W.D. Offices on Friday, January 13, at 5.30 p.m.

2. Strength-Increase. Miss H. Wolf—16.12.38. (Sd.) Mrs. E. M. Bago, Commandant, Nursing Detachment, H.K.V.D.C.

## Spelling Bee

HOW many of these words are correct and what is wrong with the others?

ridicence foccata  
utilitation riccocchei  
disparidgement Methuselah

English Oxford Dictionary spelling of these words will be found on page 12.

## Czech Affairs

### Army Mobilisation Rumours Denied

Prague, Jan. 6.

The rumours circulating abroad about a partial mobilisation of the Czech army in face of the threat of foreign invasion of the eastern part of Czechoslovakia were emphatically denied here last evening.

Actually, says the official announcement, the demobilisation of the Czech army is proceeding apace and is nearly completed.

Some interesting figures on the refugee problem in Czechoslovakia have been published by the Czech Government.

It is revealed that the number of persons registered as refugees in Bohemia and Moravia on December 1 was 152,000 of which 31,000 were accommodated in refugee camps. Of this total 115,000 were Czech, 11,000 Germans and 307 Poles. The Czech Government sees itself obliged to make the sum of at least 4,500,000 crowns for the purpose of compensating the refugees for their loss of property in the ceded territories and for finding employment for them mainly by an establishment of new industries.

The refugee department of the Czech Government is seeking to get those refugees who are of none Czech nationality to leave the country. So far 2,300 of these refugees, emigrated from Czechoslovakia, the bulk of them being Jews. Negotiations are being conducted with several foreign countries with the object of absorbing these refugees.

Already the Argentine Republic has indicated its willingness to enter into a corresponding agreement with Czechoslovakia for taking a proportion of its non-Jewish refugees. The Canadian Pacific Railway has offered to take a certain number of farmers and textile and glass workers. France is interested in getting some of the refugees who have specialised in certain trades to settle in Morocco and moreover has made an offer to find homes for 500 Czech families in Madagascar, New Caledonia and New Zealand where their willingness to take about 500 Czechs and Germans but will give preference to metal workers.—Trans-Ocean.

### ALLEGED FOOTPAD

#### Two Charges Brought By Women

A dramatic struggle between a Russian nursery-governess and a Chinese, which took place at Queen's Garden, near Conduit Road, on December 9, was related to Mr. T. J. Houston at the Central Magistracy yesterday when Wong Sang, 32, unemployed, was charged with robbery with violence. Wong was committed for trial.

Mrs. Vera Mitroff, the complainant, bore evidence of the struggle along Queen's Garden when suddenly Wong appeared and rushed towards her, attempting to snatch her handbag. She held on to it, and eventually forced to the ground, when Wong bit her and placed his foot on her face, before she released the bag.

Wong was also committed for trial on a second similar charge, the hearing of which ended on Thursday. The complainant was Yuen Ngol-fan, and she was victimised by Wong at Garden Road on December 24.

### EARRINGS SNATCHED

#### Culprit Sentenced To Prison and Caning

A Chinese woman was walking in Jordan Road on Thursday when her earrings were snatched. The alleged thief, Wan Chung, 24, was chased and arrested. At the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, Wan was sentenced to four months' hard labour and eight strokes of the cane. Lam Hung-yip, watchman, was commended for arresting him.

### HANDBAG TAKEN

Mrs. R. H. Rule, of 184 Nathan Road, had her handbag snatched when she was walking along Nathan Road on Thursday. The bag and contents were valued at \$42.

### ROBBERY CHARGES

#### Two Men Committed While One Goes Free

Charged with robbery, Ip Choy, 24, stonebreaker, and Chan Kwai, hawker, were committed for trial, but Lau Sang, alias Lau Fuk-sang, was discharged yesterday owing to lack of evidence, by Mr. R. A. D. Forrest at the Central Magistracy.

The three men were charged with robbery by two or more at 91 Connaught Road West in the early hours of October 25, when Yung Yuet-ching, 30, merchant, was robbed of \$3,000 in Hongkong currency, \$130 in Chinese currency, and three gold finger rings, after he had been bound and gagged. Yung Wol-fun was robbed of \$1,970 in Hongkong currency, \$2,440 in Chinese currency and a metal wrist watch.

Detective Sergeant J. Allen prosecuted, and evidence of arrest was given by Detective Wong Lau.

In a statement by Ip after his arrest he admitted taking part in the robbery, while Chan said he did not enter the house but was in the doorway. Lau had nothing to say.

Lau was discharged, the Magistrate remarking that he did not think any Jury would convict him on the evidence.

## "SLEEPING BEAUTY"

### Ballet by Goncharoff Dance Pupils

Early next month Hongkong residents are to be treated to a display of ballet dancing, which has become so popular again in all the large European cities.

PUPILS of the George Goncharoff School of Dance will present "The Sleeping Beauty" ballet at the King's Theatre on February 2 at 5.10 p.m.

At present, the ballet master, his pupils and their assistants are busily preparing for the show. Scenery is being designed and painted under Goncharoff's supervision, and by the look of the costumes, which are being arranged by Mrs. F. C. Clemo, they will be really gorgeous for the stage presentation.

This year, Hongkong's one and only ballet master has decided to bring forward his younger pupils and on their shoulders will rest the difficult presentation of the first ballet, "The Sleeping Beauty."

### Talented Youngster

Little Laurence Clemo, who is already well-known locally as a remarkably talented youngster, has been given the leading part as the Princess, whilst Caroline Wolfe will have the role of the Prince.

"The Sleeping Beauty" will give the kiddies a chance to present their dancing technique in a ballet which is similar to that done by grown-ups.

The young pupils are to be fairies in this first number. Two elder pupils, Zena Mansell and Pat Pascoe, will appear as the Wicked and Good fairies.

Following this ballet, there will be a divertissement. In this section, a delightful "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs" number will be given, June Mansell taking the part of Snow White, assisted by Betty Lee.

Modern music is to be used in this year's display, the most outstanding being the "March" by Prokofoff. Another number will be set to Rachmaninoff's "Elegy."

Among the older pupils, Peggy Scotcher, Ellen Ford, Pat Pascoe, Zena Mansell, Betty Lee and Lara Tesar will handle the more difficult numbers.

The display will conclude with a ballet set to the haunting Strauss composition, "Tales of the Vienna Woods."

Mr. R. Butler will deal with the lighting effects, whilst the duties of stage manager will be undertaken by Mr. F. C. Clemo.

### NAVAL FUNERAL

#### Tributes to Chief Stoker S. J. Fakeley

The death occurred at the Royal Naval Hospital yesterday morning of Chief Stoker Sidney John Fakeley, aged 37, of H. M. submarine Rorqual. He had been in the Navy for 10 years, serving for the last 18 months in China. He was a native of Middlesex, England, was unmarried, and leaves a brother.

The funeral took place with full naval honours at the Protestant Cemetery, Happy Valley, in the afternoon, with the Rev. W. J. Williams, chaplain of H. M. S. Medway, officiating.

The cortege commenced from the Naval Hospital, headed by a firing party and the Royal Marine band, followed by the coffin, draped with the Union Jack, on a gun-carriage pulled by a crew from H. M. S. Medway.

At the conclusion of the burial service, the general salute was given, and the "Last Post" and "Reveille" were sounded by a bugler.

Many officers, shipmates, and representatives from other warships in harbour as well as the Naval Dockyard Police, were present.

Floral tributes were sent by the Commander-in-Chief; Officers and men of H. M. Ships in Hongkong; Captain, Officers and Men, H.M.S. Medway and Fourth Submarine Flotilla; Captain and Officers, H.M.S. Rorqual; Captain (D), Officers and men, Eighth Destroyer Flotilla; Chief and Petty Officers, H.M.S. Rorqual; Stokers' Mess, H.M.S. Rorqual; Officers and Ship's company, H.M.S. Regent; Officers and Ship's company, H.M.S. Proteus; Submarine Stokers' Mess, H.M.S. Proteus; Submarine Stokers' Mess, H.M.S. Proteus; H.M.S. Medway; Seamen and Petty Officers, H.M.S. Tuncat; Joe, Brum, Sandy, Jigs, Bonds and Tanks; Submarine Engine-room Artificers and Chief Petty Officers; Submarine Engine-room Artificers' Mess; Destroyer Stokers and Petty Officers; and the Royal Naval Yard Police.

## A Look Through The "Telegraph"

### 50 YEARS AGO

#### ZETLAND LODGE

A regular meeting of the above Lodge will be held in Freemasons' Hall, Zetland Street, on Thursday next, the 27th December, at 8 for 8.30 p.m. precisely. Visiting brethren are cordially invited.

The British Barque John Nicholson, Capt. A. Quine, chartered by Messrs. Tong King Wo & Co., arrived on the 18th inst. from Honolulu, bringing a number of Chinese passengers. The homeward passage is considered to be one of the quickest on record, as the vessel left Honolulu on the 16th ult. The Chinese passengers, in token of their appreciation of Captain Quine's treatment of them, have prepared an address which they intend presenting him with, together with a silver memorial fan.

### 25 YEARS AGO

This morning at the Union Church Mr. Walter Wai of Tientsin was quietly married to Miss Annie Watt, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Watt of Niagara, late of Glasgow. The ceremony was conducted by the Rev. J. Kirk Macdonald. Mrs. Macdonald, attending the bride, and Mr. D. Austin the bridegroom. The honeymoon is being spent at Milano.

Mr. L. Lo Hsien, of Messrs. Alex. Ross and Co., was married this morning to Miss Ethel Wilks, daughter of Mr. O. H. Wilks, formerly of Hongkong. The ceremony took place at St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, the Rev. N. C. Pope officiating.

Mr. Churchill, First Lord of the Admiralty, made an aeroplane flight of nearly an hour's duration at Eastchurch on November 29, and during most of the time he personally took control of the Royal Flying Corps machine.

When the machine had reached a height of about 600 ft. Mr. Churchill took over the control. The wind was blowing steadily but strongly, and the machine nearly half an hour to cover the ten miles which separated Eastchurch flying ground from the Isle of Grain.

An eye-witness of the flight said: "Mr. Churchill did splendidly. The machine was kept at a splendid angle throughout. He was very cool indeed."

There was a good attendance at the Racecourse this morning to witness the gallops. His Excellency was present, as were Captain Connolly, A.D.C., Sir Paul Chetwynd, Sir William Lees Davies, Mr. H. P. White, Mr. T. E. Hough, Mr. D'Almeida Castro, Mr. Soares, Mr. Knoll, Mr. Gresson, Mr. Brutton, Mr. Hind, Mr. Hickman, Mr. Sedgewick, Mr. Hastings and Mr. Sell. Several ladies were among the spectators.

### TEN YEARS AGO

A direct cable service between London and Singapore has been established, thus eliminating the necessity of relay.

### MARRIAGE

On New Year's Day, 1922, at the Government Civil Hospital, Hongkong, William King, only son of Rev. T. N. Dunscombe, of Askington, Viceroy, Northumberland, and his only child of the late Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Corday, Windsor. By special licence.

### FIVE YEARS AGO

Dr. Joseph Goebbels, Reich Minister of Propaganda, has assumed virtual command over every single German newspaperman through the enforcement of the so-called "Editors' Act."

As from January 1, no person may work on the editorial staff of a German newspaper, news agency, or periodical without being enrolled in a professional register. Offenders will be punished with imprisonment up to one year, or fined.

M. Garat, a member of the Chamber of Deputies and the Mayor of Bayonne, has been arrested in connection with the sensational swindle by Stavisky, an international trickster, whose sale of forged Bulgarian Government securities has created the biggest financial scandal of the century.

Strong attacks are being launched against Mr. Dalmier, the Minister of the Colonies, who is alleged to have given the Russian emigre, Slavsky, letters of recommendation which largely served to give the confidence enabling such a widespread fraud to be carried out.

A large crowd attended the Diocesan Old Girls' Association New Year carnival fancy dress dance, which was held at the Diocesan Girls' School hall on Saturday from 9 p.m. to midnight. The hall was tastefully decorated, and during the evening light refreshments were served. A fancy dress costume parade was held, and the judges awarded the prizes to Mrs. M. Vassona and Mr. R. H. Wong. Dancing was to the music of "Fred and his Fats."

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## BARBARA GILMAR

Soprano  
BARBARA GILMAR  
Thursday 19th January



## SEASONING SENSE

THERE are hundreds of housewives who are good cooks but who know almost nothing about seasoning.

They work along in their kitchens for years with no more flavours than salt and white pepper, an occasional sprig of parsley from the garden, and a piece of mint in summer time. When they read recipes and come across such phrases as mixed herbs, bouquet garni, or a dash of Paprika pepper, they pass them by lightly, believing perhaps that a dish tastes just as well when these things are forgotten.

It does not, of course. Under-seasoned food is just as bad as over-seasoned dishes.

There are several good rules about seasoning, and all of them are simple. Never use strong flavours unless they are prescribed in a recipe. And if they are, then do not ignore them. Grow one or two simple herbs—parsley, mint, sage, and thyme—in the garden, if you have one. Buy the other common herbs, either fresh or dried, bay-leaf, marjoram, and perhaps fennel (for sauces).

Learn how to make up a bouquet garni or a fatnet of herbs as it is sometimes called. It is simply a little bunch of two or three sprigs of parsley, a sprig of fresh thyme, and a bay leaf. Tie them together with cotton and drop into soups and stews when prescribed in the recipe. Leave them in just as long as the recipe says and then withdraw with the long end of cotton.

If you use dried thyme, tie the bouquet up in a piece of muslin.

As for spices, be careful with these too. Buy a packet of mixed spice and make up a supply of French "mixed salt," which is invaluable for seasoning meat dishes. Use ten parts salt, two parts pepper (black for finer flavour), and one part mixed spice. Keep it made up in a special container and save both time and trouble.

Don't imagine that white pepper is good enough for all cooking. Nowadays you can buy good-looking glass bottles with sprinkler tops filled with Cayenne pepper, Paprika pepper, and such other flavourings as celery salt. For seasoning vegetables after cooking, use Paprika pepper with your salt and plenty of butter.

Take care that your seasonings are stored in a dry place.

Anne Bythe

## Carpet Stain

HERE is a tip for removing an oil stain from a carpet. Make a paste of Fuller's earth and very hot water (a little powdered magnesia in this will aid in its efficacy). Apply and leave for 24 hours. The powder can then be brushed off with a stiff brush.

## Ways With Oxtail

DO you ever treat your family to oxtail? If not, buy a tail, prepare it in one of the following ways, and you will enjoy it.

Here is a good American way:—Wash the tail, cut it into joints, pour boiling water over it, and cook gently 2-3 minutes.

Drain, roll the pieces in flour, and fry in hot fat with a small onion, thinly sliced.

Remove to a casserole, and pour over the pieces of tail 2 cupsful of tomato puree, 1 teaspoon salt, ¼ teaspoon pepper, ¼ teaspoon sauce, and a small carrot, finely chopped. Cover and cook in a very moderate oven for 3½ hours, adding more water if required. There should be plenty of gravy.

Ten minutes before serving, the sauce should be thickened (if it seems at all thin) by stirring in a dessertspoon cornflour, mixed to a smooth paste with cold water. A cupful of tinned peas can be added if desired.

Here is another way of cooking oxtail:—Dip pieces of tail in seasoned flour, and fry in a little butter with an onion sliced. Then add 12 peppercorns, 4 cloves, and ¼ pint stock. Stew gently 4 hours. Skim well. Remove the tail from pan, strain the stock, and thicken with 1 oz. of flour, broken down to a smooth paste with cold water. Add 1 tablespoon ketchup, little gravy salt, and 1 teaspoon melted glaze. Boil 5 minutes, return tail to pan, and allow to become hot. Serve with parsley before dishing and ½ gill cooking sherry. This improves the flavour tremendously.

Dish on hot ash, garnish with mashed potatoes, put through a rose forcier, and sprinkle with chopped parsley.

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## BEAUTY HINTS

HERE is an excellent way to keep the hands soft and velvety. Mix together equal quantities of olive oil and castor sugar and keep this in a handy jar on the bathroom shelf. Before washing, smear on a little of the mixture and rub the hands together for a few seconds. Wash off with soap and warm water and the results will be really surprising. It is a good plan to keep a jar of the mixture by the bedside and rub it on before going to bed.

If you have any difficulty in applying your rouge and blending it naturally try using a piece of chamomile-leather. It is far more efficient than the finger tips or a puff. From scraps of chamomile leather (use an old glove) cut two circles and between them place a smaller one in cotton wool. Sew together round the edges and you have an excellent little pad for the purpose. It has the

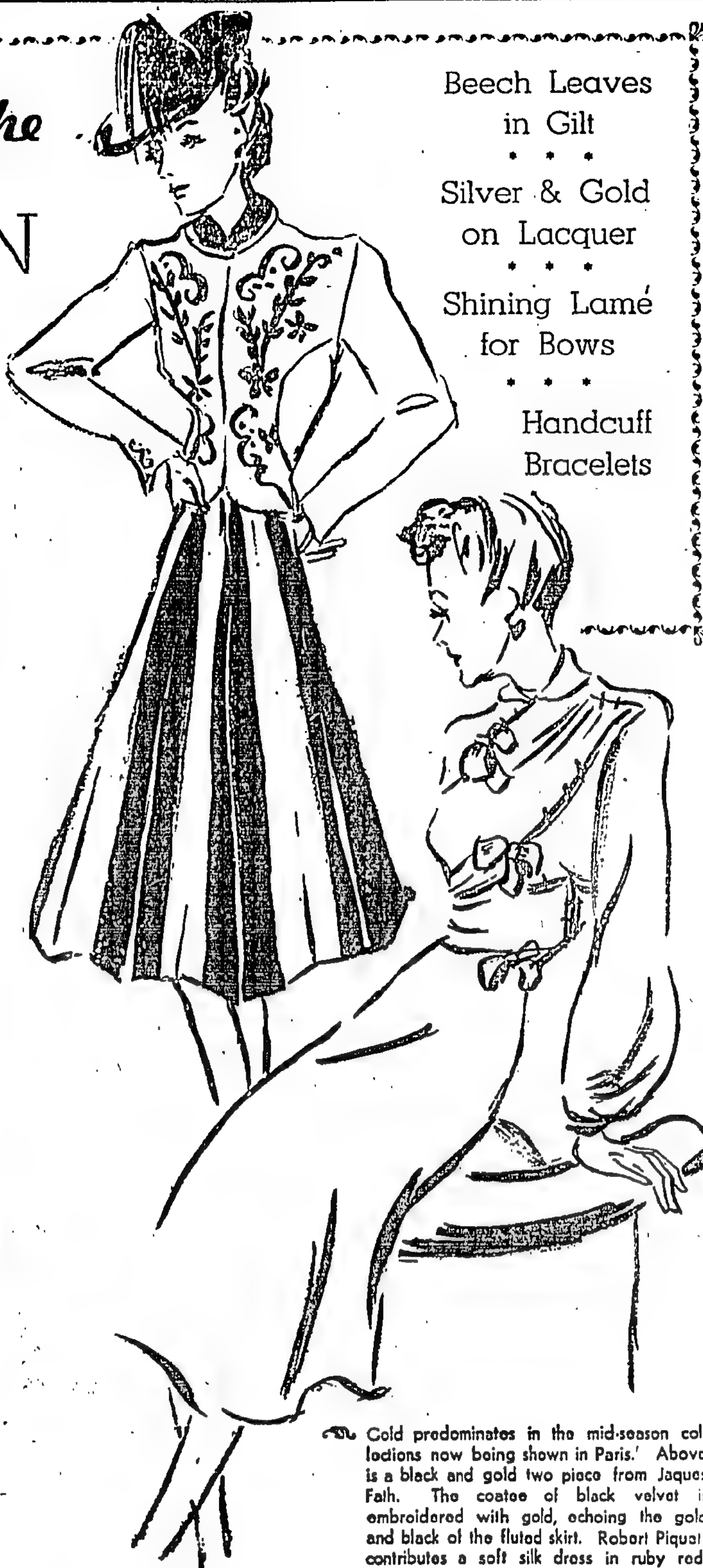
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For Our Junior Readers

## RIDERS of the Winter's Refugees STORM

F EATHERS ruffled and tempers easily put out—that's how storms affect many blackbirds, thrushes and robins, sheltering. If they're wise, inside stout-lined evergreens. But moping for sure!

Cock Robin, especially, so hates his smooth red waistcoat to be disarrayed that he sits, martyr-like, facing the wind, no matter how fiercely it howls.

But many birds, born to ride the skies, have stronger reason for disliking storms. There's no shelter at sea for instance, and that may spell disaster.

Wise, indeed, are those gulls who early in winter take to our parks and inland waters. But for those caught at sea they try flying low hoping thus to avoid the gale's stress. But this opens up fresh perils. For a sudden lash of wind may pitch them into the waves below where no furious is the sea's "boil" that in a few seconds, they are battered senseless.

Some gales even blow luck! That is for those daring voyagers the tiny olive-winged Gold Crest who, at this time,



Cock robin mopes on his perch.

are flitting in flocks from their Norwegian pine forests to our eastern shores.

With luck one "roarer" may blow them across their long water jump—the North Sea.

Suppose, however, it buffets them northwards towards Iceland. Then those frail mites, or Tot-a-er-the-Sea, as some shore folk call them, are doomed.

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Yes storms never bring birdland plans to a dead halt. Some dauntless spirit will always defy their furies. It's hard to understand how rooks sleep when their elm twig perches to the night long. But sleep they do.

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playing a tug-of-war to cover one's shoulders.

the bed roll, or else she goes to the other extreme, and tucks them in so tightly that my poor long-suffering extremities have to stay put from sheer inability to move about!

Personally, I find it a good plan to allow about twelve inches of bed clothes beneath the mattress, for

shoulders from being stranded high and dry on the pillow.

All very well for a Sleeping Beauty tabernacle during a heat wave, but not so well for a chilly mortal on chiller nights!

Disappearing Pillows

Another unpleasant little habit of Jane's is to put the bolster so low in the bed that it slithers uncomfortably down towards the small of one's back while the pillows do a disappearing trick backwards off the top.

I often wonder if they are shaken daily and if the mattress is turned regularly. That I shall never know!

I do know, however, that the bed-clothes are tucked in down the sides because I make a bee line for that job myself directly I get upstairs!

But Jane gets so huffy if I make my bed for her that I am to have a great rest when I sleep with her.

## Crossword Puzzle

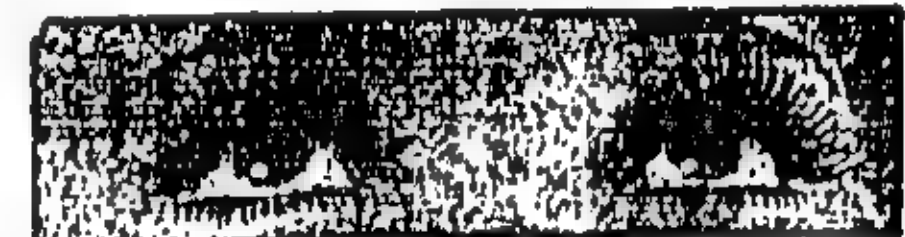
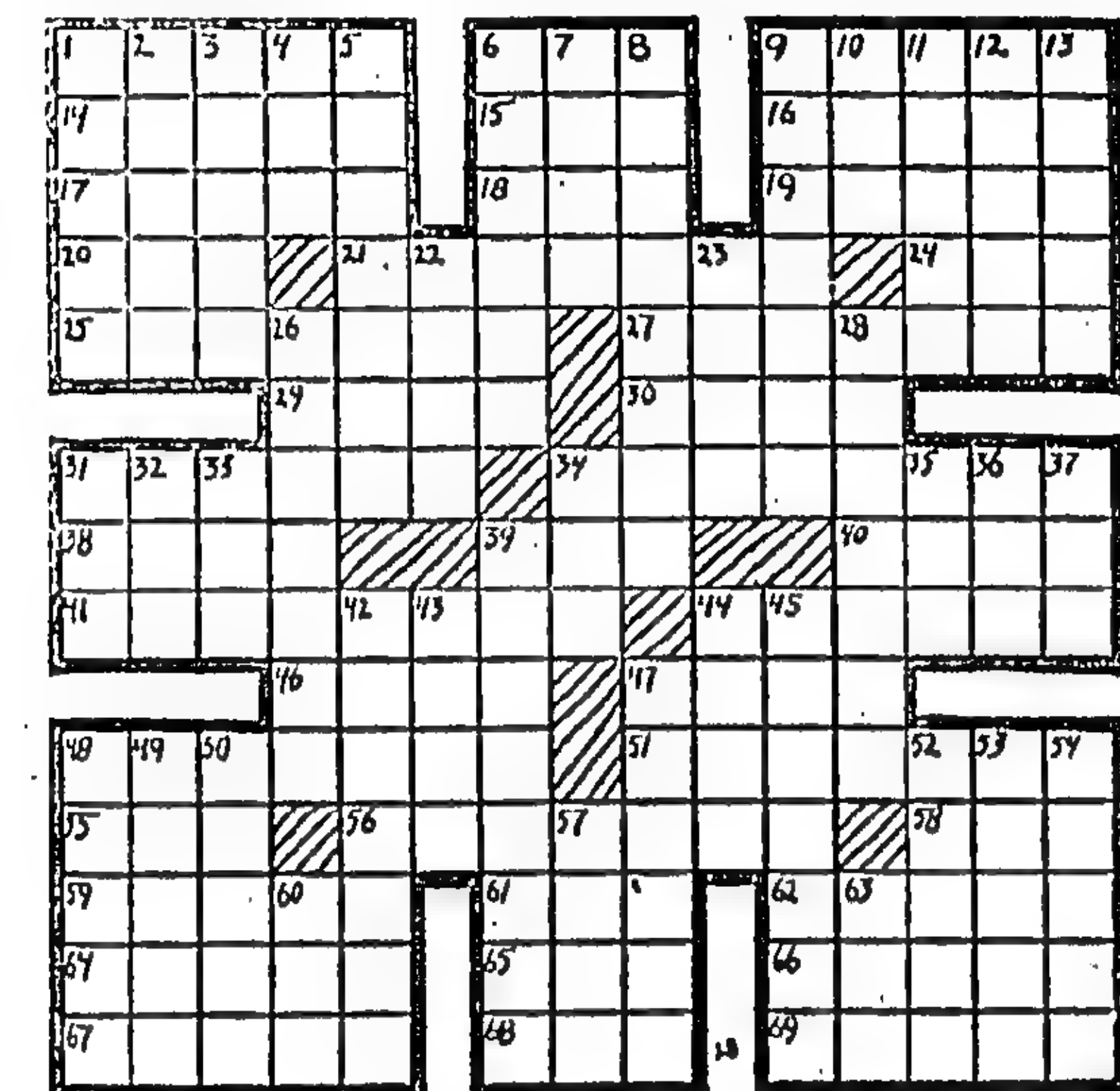
By LARS MORRIS

ACROSS

1—Tree-curtained nook  
6—Dance tune  
9—Large parrot  
14—Lovers  
15—Complete  
16—Tree of Mexico  
17—Action  
18—Kind of tree  
19—Vehicle built for speed  
20—Large pool of water  
21—Part of town mechanism  
24—Powerful explosive  
27—Place of refuge  
28—Of the future  
29—Trench before  
30—Ninth letter of alphabet  
31—Central organs  
34—Copies  
36—Fighting apparatus  
37—Circular  
40—On top of  
41—Birds from abroad usually  
42—Having seen insight  
43—Fiction comedy  
44—Cakes for "you"  
45—Kind of wine  
46—Flow into attack  
47—In times gone by  
48—Kind of snuff  
49—One in number of  
50—Danish sign used in denoting "up"  
51—Finnish sign used in denoting "down"  
52—Present-like dish  
53—Stripped instrument

DOWN

1—Man's name  
2—Leads to ground  
3—Excluded name  
4—African kerchief  
5—Let on horse again  
6—Reluctant  
7—Lined stream of water  
8—Something designed for remembrance  
9—Place for selling goods (pl.)  
10—In the manner of  
11—Polish plate  
12—Exaggeration of  
13—Twenty seven  
14—Mental and moral excellence  
15—Mountain (abbr.)  
16—Cut of meat  
17—Silver in working  
18—Powerful, discomfit  
19—That woman  
20—Summer (French)  
21—Brazilian cuckoo  
22—Lending form of war  
23—Indo-Chinese  
24—High place  
25—Language  
26—Fictional victim  
27—Lithuanian device  
28—Active  
29—One who dispenses in small quantities  
30—Black mistle  
31—Push back  
32—Saw  
33—Affirmative box (tool)  
34—Amorous glance  
35—Pat nifty  
36—Macaw

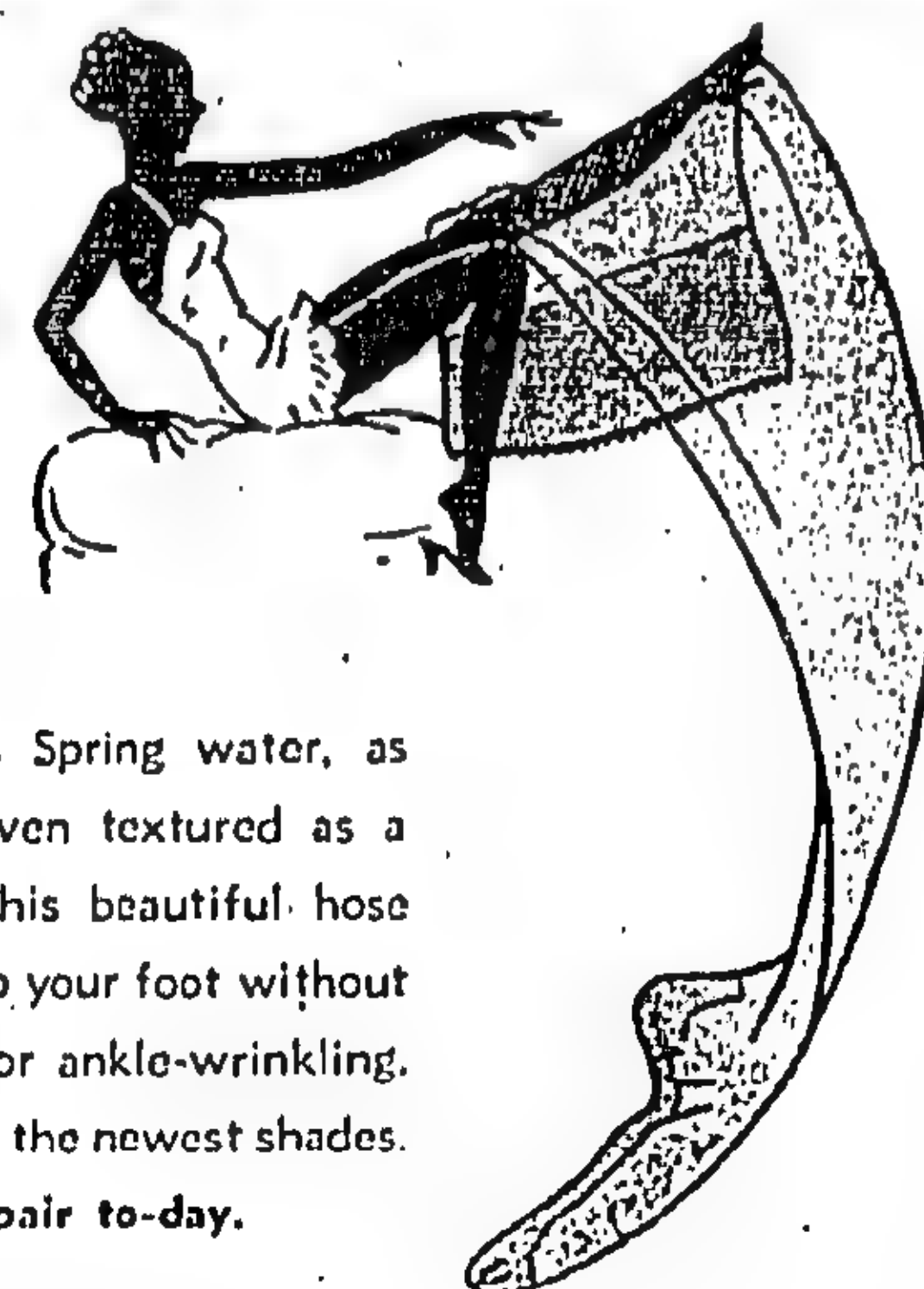


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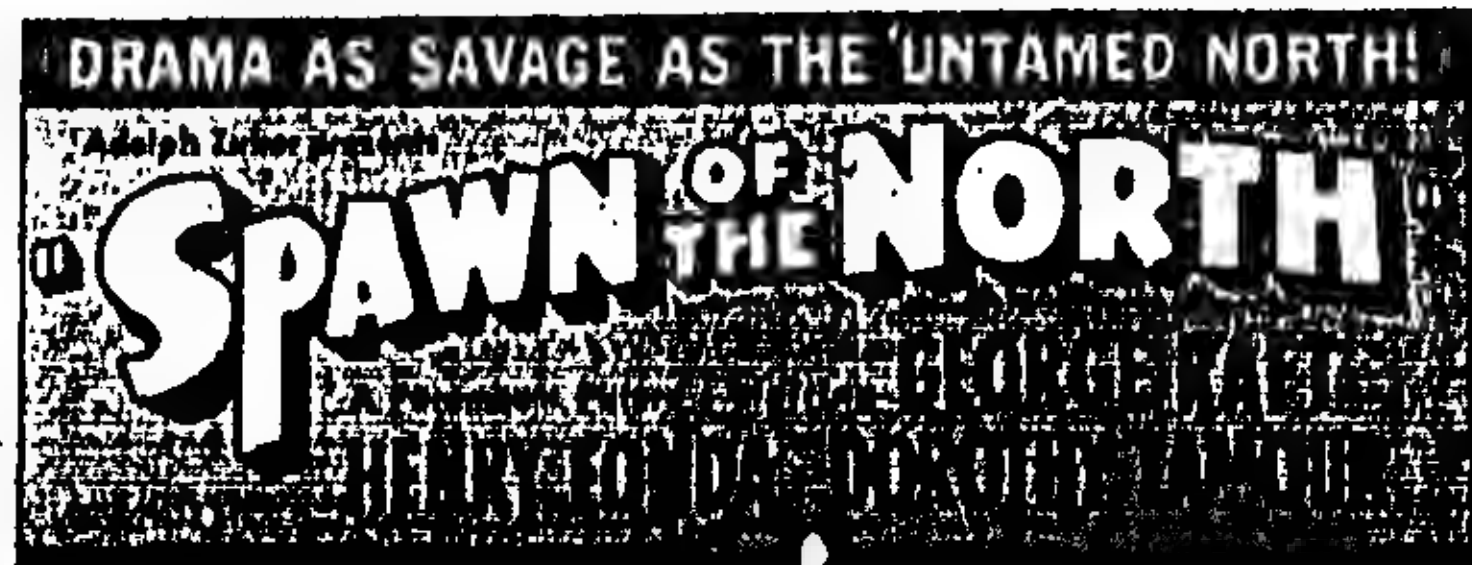
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HAPPENINGS  
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THE CAMERA'S EYE



Group photograph taken after the recent christening of William Albert, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Riley.—*Ming Yuen.*

Judging by the smiles, (at left, above) it was grand fun at the recent fancy dress hockey match. The players are Mrs. Phyllis Bicknell, Mr. D. Smith and Miss Smith.—*Pictorial News.*



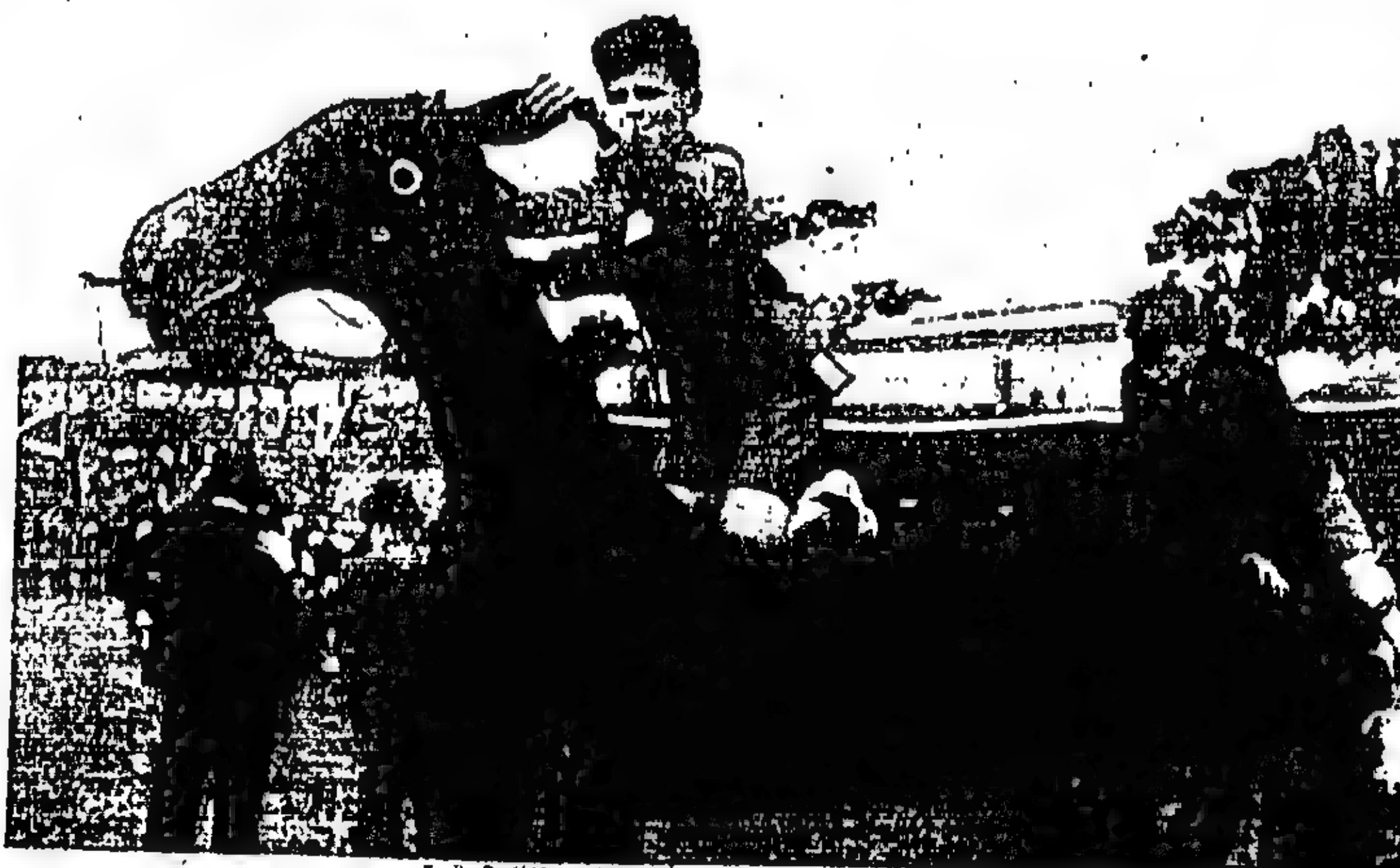
H.E. Sir Percy Noble, Commander-in-Chief, takes the naval salute at the march past near the China Fleet Club.—*Kahn.*



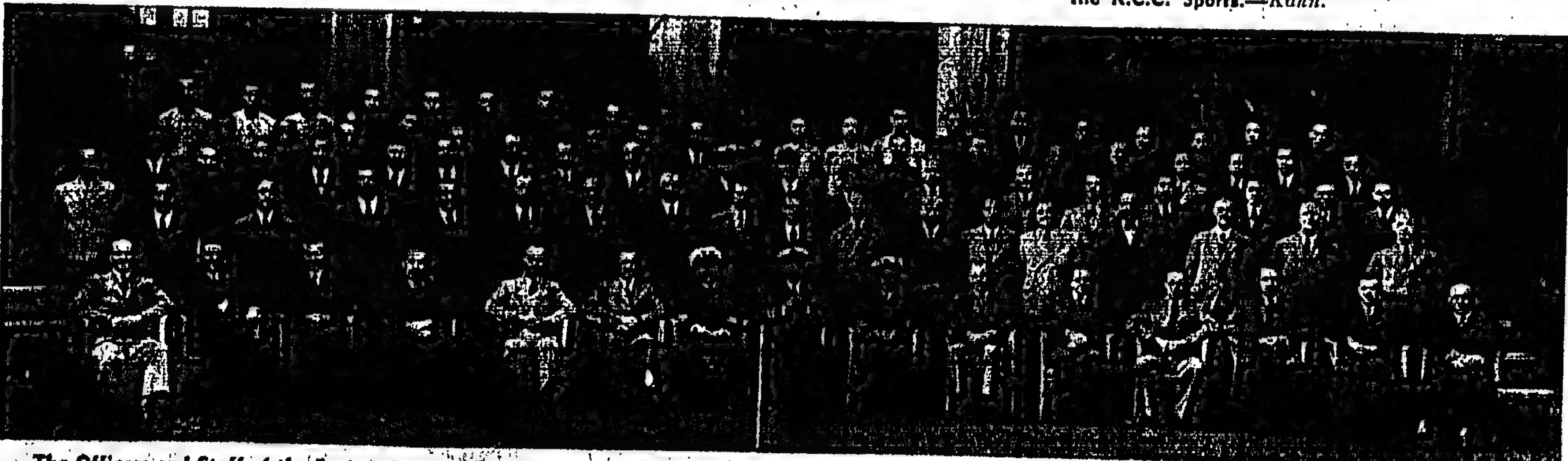
These youngsters were delighted when allowed to try the drums at the K.C.C. Children's Sports.—*Kahn.*



H.E. Major General A. E. Grasett, G.O.C. of British Troops in China (centre) and other Spectators at the Naval parade.—*Kahn.*

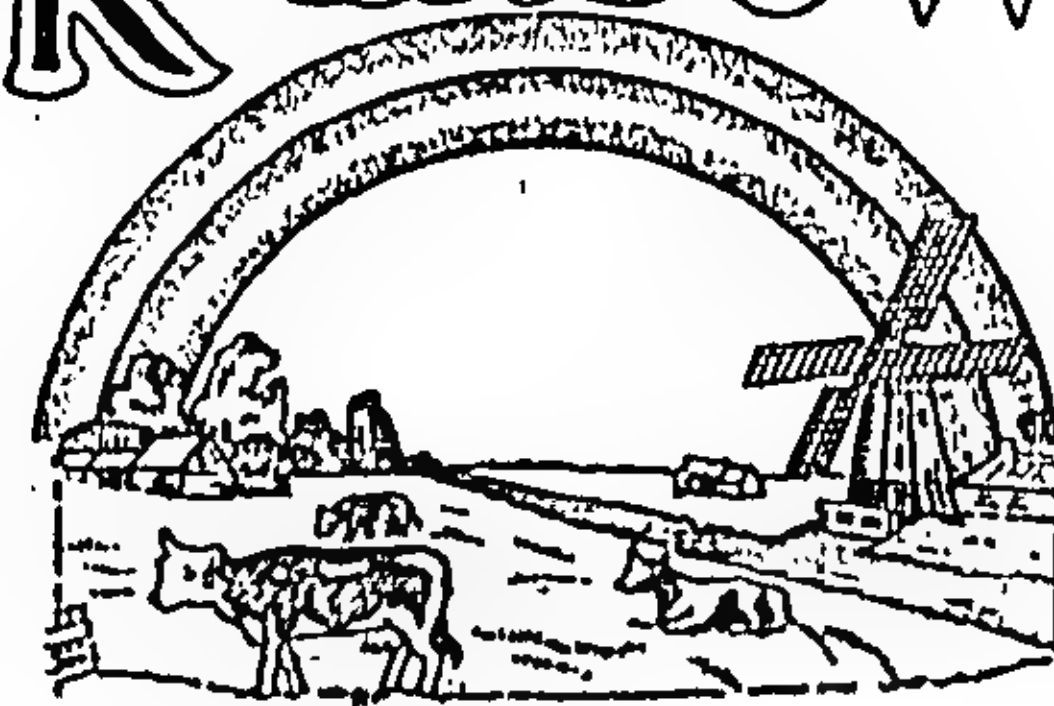


This little boy smiles with pleasure as he succeeds in a difficult competition at the K.C.C. Sports.—*Kahn.*



The Officers and Staff of the Engineer's Department, H.M. Dockyard, photographed on the occasion of the departure on retirement of Comdr. A. Holt, R.N.—*Ming Yuen.*

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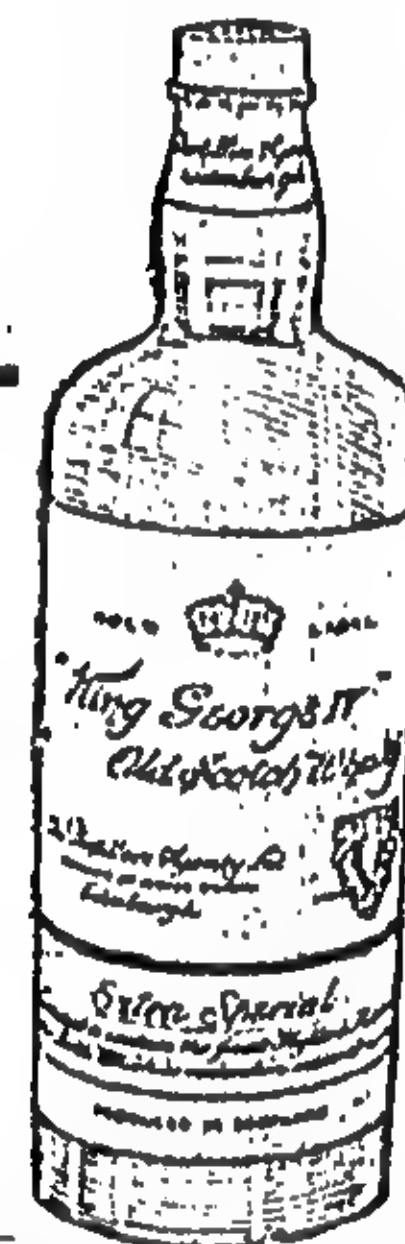
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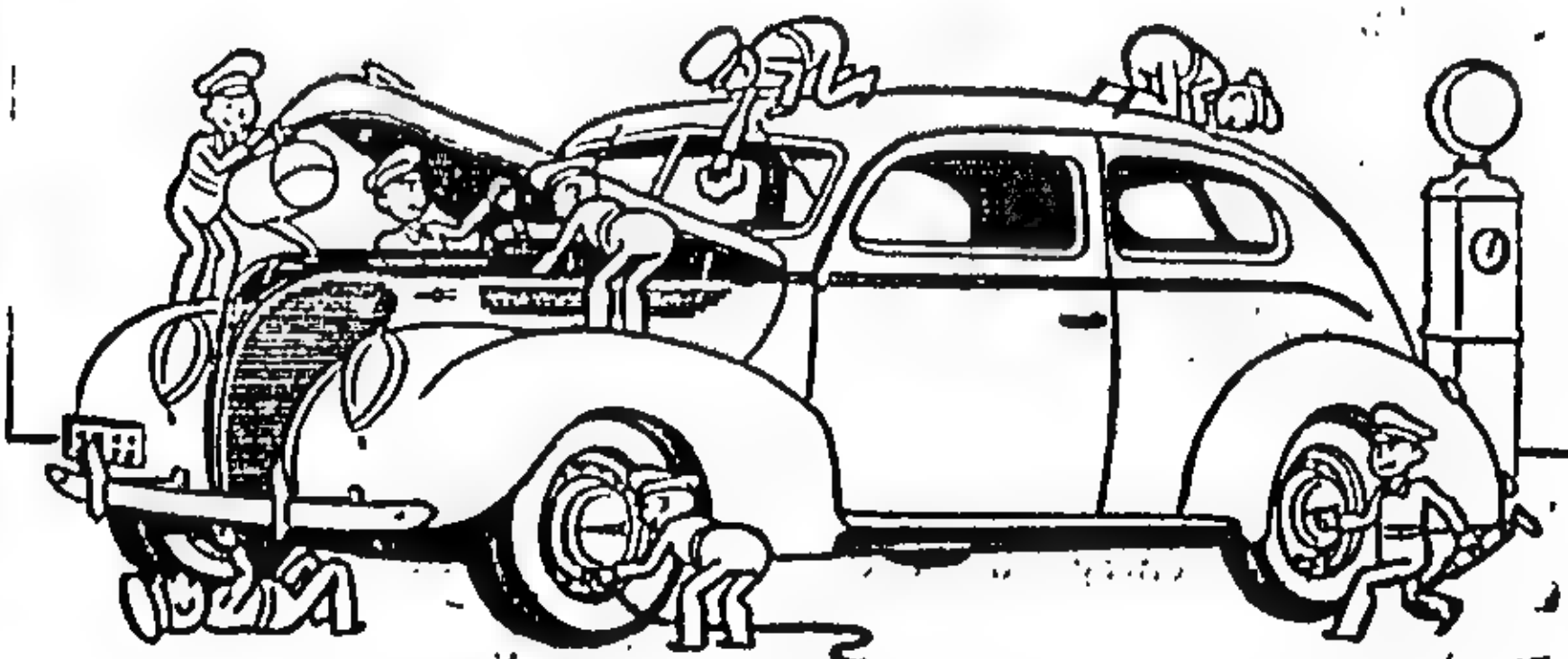
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# H.K. CRICKET LEAGUE STARTS TO-DAY IN DIVISION II

(By "R. Abbi")

The attractions of the Triangular Tournament unfortunately prevented me from seeing any of the other holiday cricket, but I understand from those competent to judge, that there were some very excellent innings played and I shrewdly suspect that a good deal of the batting would have compared quite favourably with some of the batting in the Tournament.

Now, however, one can begin to settle down to the season. League games start to-day in the Second Division, though the First Division have only friendlies. So far as I can make out neither the Navy first eleven, the Army first eleven, nor the Hongkonger teams are playing; nor I believe are the University.

## LEAGUE GAMES

The Indian Recreation Club are at home to the K.C.C. in the first league game for the Second Division. Normally I should have expected K.C.C. to win but the Indians have done a lot better than I expected them to do, and the K.C.C. have been rather in and out in their form. It should be, in any case, a very interesting game. Another close game should be that between the Army at Sookunpo and the Hongkong Cricket Club. Both these second eleven are pretty useful and may have chances of winning the Shield. It is, however, a bit early to say much until we see how the various teams react to League cricket. The Police are at home to last year's Champions, the Navy's second. I have no idea of what sort of a team the Navy will be able to turn out. As for the Police, it seems very largely a question of whether Carey and Pope come off. Finally the Civil Service entertain Recreation second, and they will have to do all out to win, though they have admittedly shown better form this season than in the past.

## SENIOR DIVISION

The Cricket Club meet the I.R.C. on the Club ground and they will have to improve considerably on their past form if they are going to win the game outright. Minu has been bowling very well this year, though the Indians could do with a fast bowler. Kowloon are at home to the Alumni Association which should be quite good. One or two of the Kowloon regular side will play for the Association, I imagine, and I rather fancy there will be quite a lot of Craigengower and Recreation players. Finally the Recreation are at home to the Civil Service. I have heard a good many references to the wicket on the Recreation ground. Indeed I am told by some people that they would be well advised to put down mulling. Now this may be improved by care, as witness the I.R.C. ground. It is an awkward shape and not long enough, but the wicket has improved out of all knowledge in the last few years, and I have heard at least two prominent cricketers say the other day that they considered it actually the best pitch in the Colony.

## THE SCORERS

During the past few weeks I have been in and out of a great many score boxes and I have been surprised to find how invariably the rule about scoring runs from a no-ball is misunderstood. I do flatter myself that I know it and that I have expounded it, but though my exposition has been received with greatest politeness I can see perfectly well that the other fellow didn't be-

lieve a word of it. So I am not going to lay it down myself here but I am going to quote one of the best scorers in the world—a gentleman called Strudwick, who scores for Surrey. I must apologise to the Times for making such a long quotation from their book "The M.C.C. 1787-1937", but it does give most admirable explanation and should be studied not only by scorers but also by umpires. By way of an apology to the Times I might mention that the book, a reprint of the Times Jubilee number of the M.C.C. published on 25th May 1937, has been reprinted by the Times Publishing Company Ltd., Printing House Square, London, and is sold at the ridiculously cheap price of one shilling. It is a book which will be read by all keen cricketers with the utmost interest, and indeed it is most interesting even to those who do not play the game. Strudwick now speaks:—

"The scorers see more of the game than any spectator, and should become good judges of a player, for we have to watch every ball bowled and to know every fieldman and where he is fielding. Above all, we have to keep our eyes on the umpire, for he is dictator of every run that is recorded, and indicates how the runs shall be put down by a series of signs. For example, the umpire signals for a 'six' by raising both hands above his head. He signals boundaries by waving his hand from side to side; byes by raising the open palm or hand above his head; leg-byes by raising the leg and touching it with his hand; wides by extending both arms horizontally. The decision 'out' is signalled by raising the index finger above the head. "When the bowler bowls a no-ball the umpire must call out 'no-ball' as loudly and as quickly as possible in order to give the batsman plenty of time to make a forcing shot. At the same time he extends one arm horizontally so that the scorers can see that a no-ball has been bowled, and he should not let the game proceed until he has a return signal from the scorers. If the batsman plays the ball and it travels to the boundary it counts four runs to the batsman and the no-ball is ignored, except that the bowler has to bowl an extra ball. In the analysis some scorers put the 4 down with a ring round it, and some with a cross over it. I put a cross for a no-ball and a ring for a wide.

"If a no-ball is bowled and it passes the wicket-keeper the umpire will signal the no-ball, then give the signal for byes. We know by this that the batsman has not played the ball, and if three runs are made they go down as three no-balls. In the bowler's analysis we put a dot with a cross or ring with a '3' at the end of the line, but not in the overs square, since it does not count in his analysis. If the ball touches the batsman's pads and a run is made the umpire gives the signal for no-ball and the signal for leg-bye; this also goes down as a no-ball. The umpire gives this signal so that the run should not be credited to the batsman."

## S. Africa's Third Test Team

Johannesburg, Jan. 6.

South Africa's representatives in the third test beginning at Durban on January 20 will be Melville, Mitchell, Nourse, Van Der Byl, Dalton, Viljoen, Gordon, Langton, Wade and Davies. Eleventh place will probably be filled by Rowan or Harry Sparks, of Orange Free State, who has been invited to go to Durban.—*Reuter.*

## Tennis

### Ladies' Final To Be Decided To-morrow

Weather permitting, the Colony Ladies' tennis doubles final will be decided on the United Services R.C. courts to-morrow afternoon. The match is scheduled to start at 3.30 p.m.

The contestants are Mrs. Williams and Mrs. Chiu Chun-chiu, who are regarded as the favourites in many quarters for the title, and Mrs. Tracey and Mrs. Skinner, who defeated Mrs. Burnett and Miss V. Bradbury in the semi-finals.

In beating Mrs. Burnett and Miss Bradbury, Mrs. Tracey and Mrs. Skinner were not very impressive and they will have to be in better form to-morrow if they are to account for Mrs. Williams and Mrs. Chiu, who have proved themselves to be an effective combination.

### Don Bradman Applies For £1,000 Job

Sydney, Dec. 23.

It is believed that Don Bradman has applied for the secretaryship of the Melbourne Cricket Club.

The position carries a salary of £1,000 a year.

Interviewed in Adelaide to-day, Bradman and Mr. H. Hocketts, his partner in a stockbroking firm, admitted that they had discussed Bradman's applying for the Melbourne position.

They refused either to confirm or deny reports that he had actually applied.

The secretaryship became vacant a few months ago by the death of Mr. H. Trumble.

More than 150 applications were received. These were gradually narrowed down to about six.

It was believed that those most favoured were V. Ransford, H. Heydon, and W. Clapham.

Mr. H. Heydon is secretary of the New South Wales Cricket Association.

### Wales May Have 1946 Empire Games

There is a decided probability that Wales will stage the British Empire Games in 1946.

A deputation of sporting and business men interviewed the Lord Mayor of Cardiff, urging the claims of the Principality to be given the fixture.

The Lord Mayor, Alderman W. G. Howell was in complete agreement with the proposal and said that Cardiff would gladly take the lead on behalf of Wales.

It was decided that, before calling a conference of local authorities and other interested bodies, steps should be taken to ascertain what facilities were required to stage the Games.

The Rugby football ground, Arms Park, Cardiff, which has a capacity of 60,000, would be an admirable venue for the Games.

### Police Hold First Rugby Practice

The Hongkong Police held their first practice rugby match last Wednesday when about 25 players turned out for the game at the Police Recreation Club, Kowloon.

The assistant superintendent of Police, G. S. Wilson will be captain of the team, while H. W. E. Herth, L. A. Searle, E. C. Lacombe and J. Riddell will all be turning out for the Police.

They hope to have their first friendly match next week.

## Footballers Of H.M.S. Diana And Trophies



The soccer team of H.M.S. Diana, which won the China Fleet League Division II Cup and the 8th D. F. Challenge Cup, photographed with their trophies recently.—Photo by A. Hing.

## LAST MATCH IN TRIANGULAR RUGBY TOURNEY: ARMY TO CLASH WITH NAVY

(By "Fly-Half")

This afternoon Navy will entertain the Army at Causeway Bay in the last match of the Triangular Rugby Tournament. The kick-off will be at 4 p.m. and Dr. J. A. R. Selby, of the Hongkong F.C. will referee.

Although the Navy have already won the Tournament Cup, interest in this game should not be lacking as there is always present that competitive spirit between the two Forces which ensures a good game. The Army pack will probably make its presence felt. In the last encounter between the Army and Navy, the Army forwards, ably led by their captain, Lt. Cuthbertson, played wonderfully well against all odds. They were superior to the Navy eight in all departments, and had they been better served by their backs a different score would have resulted.

Navy have made several changes from the team which beat the Club last week-end. Kelly and Hankin play at right and left wing respectively, in place of Lewis and Walters. These changes would seem to be in the nature of a trial for Kelly and Hankin, as on last week's display, no fault could be found with the Navy wing-men. Kelly has played this year in the Army. He is big and heavy and is a very forceful runner. Askwith and Skelton, the regular inside, are playing and from this pair should originate the danger to the Army.

Anderson, the dashing Navy back row forward, is an absentee, his position being taken by Hain. Hain, who was injured whilst playing for his ship, H.M.S. Eagle, against the Club last Wednesday, is picked to play. His knee has presumably cured.

## TEAMS

Army Team: Lt. Lomax (8th Heavy); Cpl. Pratt (Scots); Lt. Hook (8th Heavy); Lt. Cpl. Box (Royal Scots); Pte. Ferguson (Middlesex); Lt. Sgt. Lang

(R.A.O.C.): Cpl. Nealon (Royal Scots); Lt. Sgt. Page (8th Anti-Aircraft); Lt. Crawford (Signals); Captain, Lt. D'Oyly (Royal Scots); Gar. Evans (8th Anti-Aircraft); Pte. Berry (Middlesex); Pte. Richardson (Scots); Lt. Cpl. Sutherland (Royal Scots); Spr. Appley (Royal Engineers); Reserves, Lt. Sgt. Marshall (Royal Scots); Sgt. Black (Royal Scots); Spr. Pike (Royal Engineers).

## Navy Fifteen

The following have been selected to represent the Navy XV: Pay Lt. Stevens (H.M.S. Kent); Ldg. Tel. Kelly (Kent); P. O. Askwith (Dainty); Lt. Skelton (Medway); Pay Mid. Hankin (Kent); Lt. Elliot (Eagle); Capt. Lt. Talbot (Medway); Ldg. Sea. Romans (Eagle); Mr. Witherton (Dunoon); Lt. Boddington (Medway); P. O. King (Tamar); Lt. Darling (Medway); Lt. Ogle (Medway); Lt. Griffiths (Medway); Sub. Lt. Hain (Eagle).

## CLUB TEAMS MEET

At 2.45 p.m. on the same ground, two teams picked from the Club players will play. This should be worth watching as the best Club material will be playing. A.F. Walkden, a former Club captain, just back from leave, is turning out. Looking at the two teams picked, it would seem that the Colours have an advantage behind the scrum where practically the whole Club 1st XV backs are included. Whites with Salter hooking should obtain possession of the ball in the set scrums.

After the major game, the Triangular Tournament Cup will be presented to the Navy team, who also won it last year.

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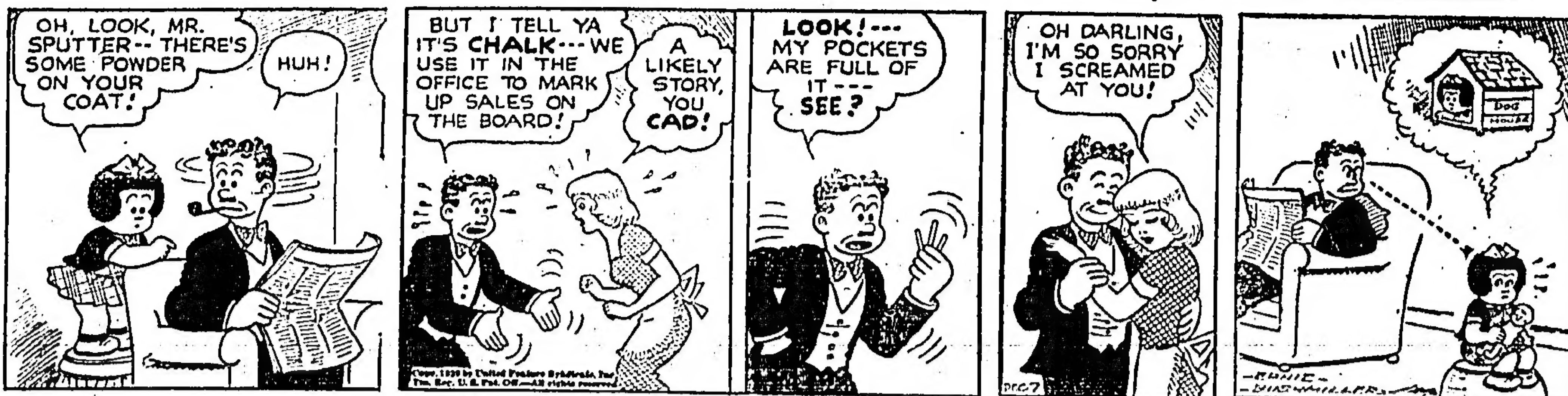
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## NANCY

By Ernie Bushmiller



## American Horse Early Favourite For Derby

## Foxbrough II Leads In Winter Prices

London, Dec. 27. Foxbrough II, bred in the United States and owned by the New York banker, William Woodward, has been established as the winter favourite for the English Derby.

Foxbrough II is quoted at odds of 5½ to 1 against in the bookmakers' future lists for the blue riband race which will be run at the Epsom Downs track near London next May 24.

Other prices quoted in the winter books are: Lord Rosbery's Blue Peter 8 to 1; Lady Zita Werher's Casanova 12 to 1; Edward Esmond's Fox Cub 12 to 1; Mrs. James Corringan's Panorama 12 to 1; The Aga Khan's Dhoni 14 to 1; William Woodward's Hypnotist 14 to 1; Mr. D. Thomas's Rogerstone Castle 14 to 1; Sir John Jarvis's Admiral's Walk 16 to 1; Sir Abe Bailey's Meadow 16 to 1; Woodward's two-year-old represents an unusually low price for this time of the year, and it is entirely based on his form at the end of the season.

## WON AT NEWMARKET

He did not race until the end of September, when he won the sharp

last five furlongs of the flat mile at Newmarket, following that up with a clear-cut victory in the Middle Park Stakes on his only other outing.

Experts claim that he shows more room for improvement than any other two-year-old, with the possible exception of Blue Peter, runner-up for the Middle Park Stakes.

But Foxbrough II easily beat Blue Peter by 1½ lengths in that race, and whereas Blue Peter weakened in his run half-way up the ascent for home, Foxbrough II instantly responded when asked for an extra effort at that point.

## TRAINER SATISFIED

Captain Cecil Boyd-Rochford, who trains Woodward, is highly satisfied with the way Foxbrough II has settled down into winter quarters, and he is expected to prove a classic colt of exceptional abilities.

The Derby is a closed race, which means that entries closed on November 2, 1937, when according to breeding reckoning colts and fillies eligible for the Derby were one year old.

There were 317 entries, a number which will be reduced to a field of about 30 as the different forfeit stages are reached.

## FOOTBALL FIXTURES FOR WEEK

The following is the local soccer programme for the week:

## TO-DAY

## First Division

Club (Club, 4 p.m.) v Eastern  
Referee:—Stedman.  
Linesmen:—Waldron and Aylwin.  
Kowloon (Kowloon, 4 p.m.) v Middlesex  
Referee:—Ottaway.  
Linesmen:—Brethwell and Silva.  
Police (Police, 4 p.m.) v Navy  
(Boundary Road ground, 4 p.m.)  
Referee:—Clarke.  
Linesmen:—Smith and Wyper.

## Second Division

Engineers (Engineers, 4 p.m.) v R.A.O.C.  
(Military, 4 p.m.)  
Referee:—Omar.  
Club (Club, 2.30 p.m.) v Eastern  
Referee:—Havelaar.  
Kowloon (Kowloon, 2.30 p.m.) v Middlesex  
Referee:—Ip.  
Police (Police, 2.30 p.m.) v 5th R.A.  
(Boundary Road ground, 2.30 p.m.)  
Referee:—Kossick.

## Third Division "A"

30th R.A. (30th R.A., 2.30 p.m.) v Royal Scots  
(Sookunpoo, 2.30 p.m.)



Love in the Casbah, the colourful native quarter of "Algiers," is depicted by Charles Boyer and Sigrid Gurie in this scene from Walter Wanger's romantic drama of that title which comes to the King's Theatre to-morrow.

## Here, There With "Abe"

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to help in coaching the American Davis Cup team."

## To Play At Wembley

ONE of the arrangements made as to his Budge had been converted was that the Vines and Perry should appear at Wembley. This meeting ought to produce the greatest tennis rivalry of post-war years, as three of the greatest players of the decade will be seen together in the same tournament. The meeting, according to present plans, will take place on May 16, 19 and 20 this year. Other professionals will also take part—Tilden is likely to be one of them—but the three top-notchers undoubtedly will be Budge, Perry and Vines, with Henri Cochet thrown in to add interest to the event. The French ace has opened a school for tennis but Wimbledon being so near to his school it is more than probable that Cochet will be induced to participate. Anyway, officials of the Empire Pool are now going ahead with the arrangements for the meeting.

## A Proud Record

BUDGE, who is 22, comes of Scottish ancestry, a fact of which he has always been very proud.

Referee:—Hooper.  
Electric (Electric, 2.30 p.m.) v South China  
(Caroline Hill, 2.30 p.m.)  
Referee:—Edwards.  
Kit Che (Kit Che, 2.30 p.m.) v Stanley  
(St. Joseph's, 2.30 p.m.)  
Referee:—Marriott.  
5th R.A. (5th R.A., 2.30 p.m.) v P.W.D.  
(Military, 2.30 p.m.)  
Referee:—Farr.  
R.E. (C.) (R.E. (C.), 2.30 p.m.) v R.A.S.C.  
(Sookunpoo, 4 p.m.)  
Referee:—Burgess.  
Third Division "B"  
Powhattan (Powhattan, 4 p.m.) v R.A.F.  
(Caroline Hill, 4 p.m.)  
Referee:—McIlgrew.  
Stonecutters W/S v R.E. (E.)  
(Chatham Road, 2.30 p.m.)  
Referee:—Gamin.  
A.S.A. (A.S.A., 4 p.m.) v Medicals  
(Chatham Road, 4 p.m.)  
Referee:—Phillips.  
Signals (Signals, 2.30 p.m.) v 24th R.A.  
(Prince Edward Road, 2.30 p.m.)  
Referee:—J. Somerville.  
TO-MORROW  
First Division  
Kwong Wah (Kwong Wah, 4 p.m.) v Royal Scots  
(Kowloon, 4 p.m.)  
Referee:—Polynex.  
Linesmen:—Demmeo & MacLaughlan.  
Second Division  
South China (South China, 2.30 p.m.) v St. Joseph's  
(Caroline Hill, 2.30 p.m.)  
Referee:—MacCormac.  
Kwong Wah (Kwong Wah, 2.30 p.m.) v Royal Scots  
(Kowloon, 2.30 p.m.)  
Referee:—Finch.  
Third Division "B"  
University (University, 2.30 p.m.) v Kumsan R.  
(Club, 2.30 p.m.)  
Referee:—See Po Wal.  
WEDNESDAY, 11TH JAN.  
Third Division "B"  
Air Force (Air Force, 2.30 p.m.) v University  
(Kowloon, 2.30 p.m.)  
Referee:—McIlgrew.

## BADMINTON LEAGUE

In the mixed doubles of the badminton league last night, St. John's best Kowloon Tong 6-3.  
D. Kwok and Mrs. Wilson beat P. Fletcher and Mrs. Stephens 21-11; best R. E. Lee and Miss Gonzales 21-12; best N. A. E. Mackay and Mrs. Castro 21-12.  
F. Kwok and Miss Cave beat Fletcher and Mrs. Stephens 21-9; best Lee and Miss Gonzales 21-10; best Mackay and Mrs. Castro 24-20.  
S. Newman and Miss Eardley lost to Fletcher and Mrs. Stephens 6-21; best to Lee and Miss Gonzales 12-21; best to Mackay and Mrs. Castro 7-21.

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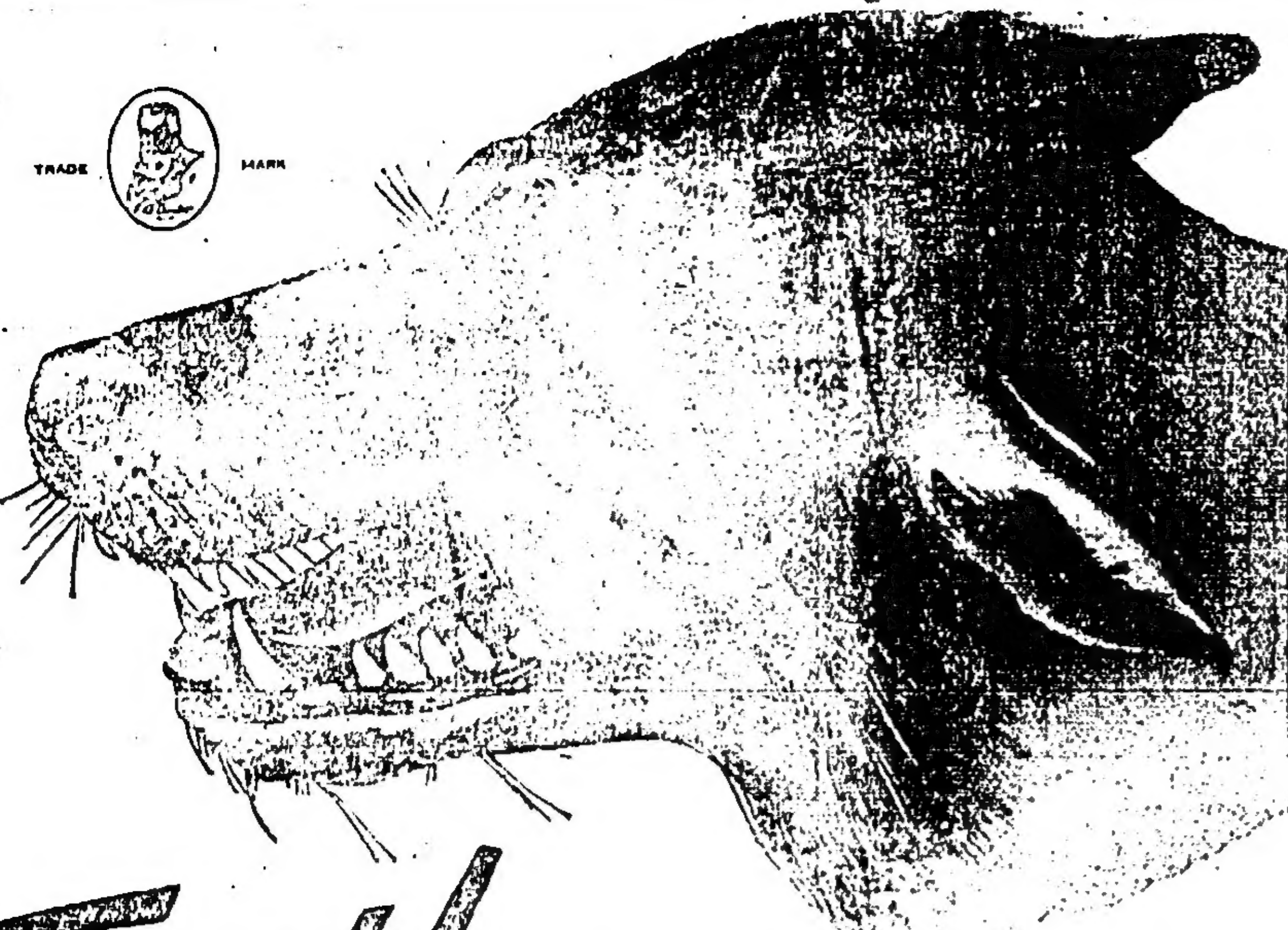
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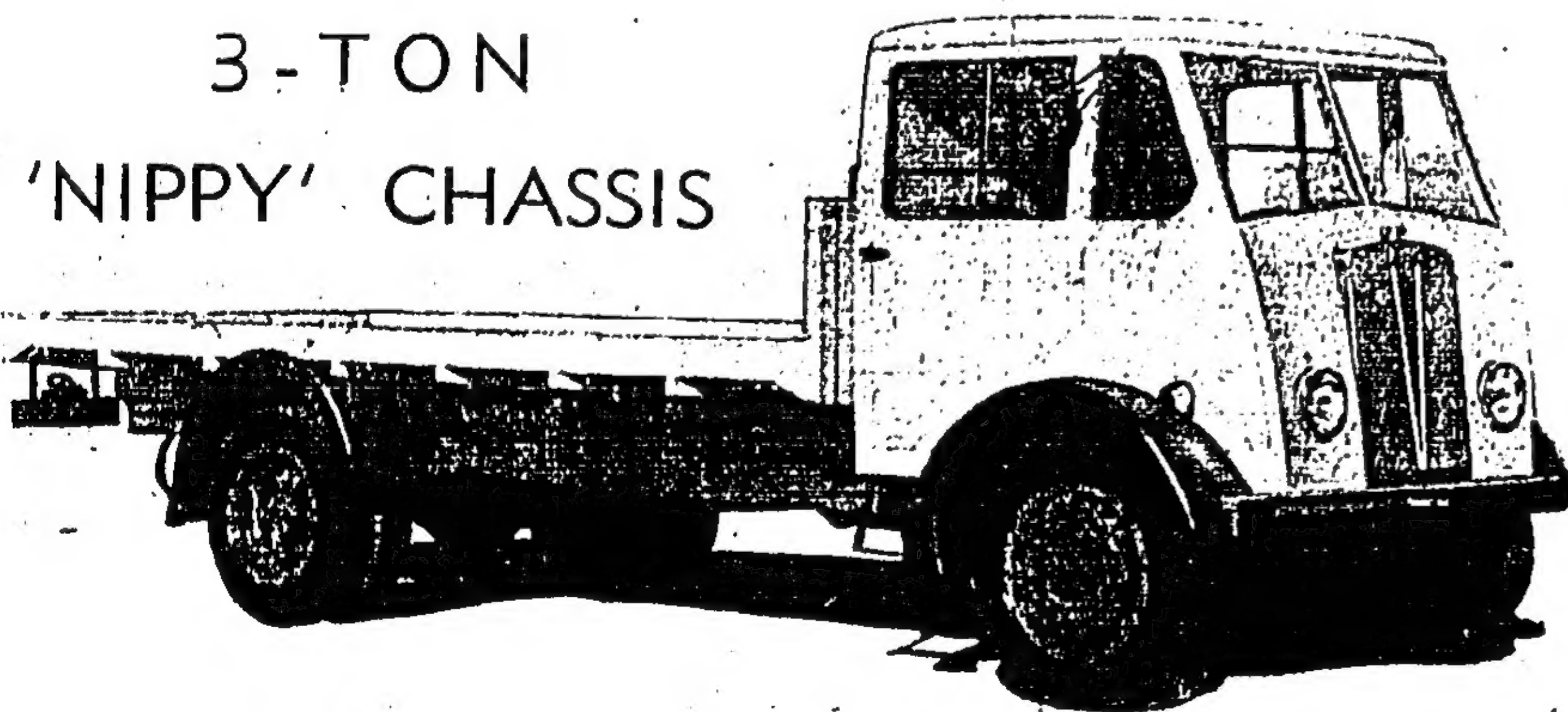
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## SUPERSTITION IN CHINA

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a corpse was laid out, it was immediately killed by the watchers at the bier, who held that otherwise misfortune would most assuredly follow.

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ANOTHER striking similarity to old Gaelic beliefs is illustrated by the superstitious dread of many Chinese of going to the rescue of a person drowning, or in other dire peril. This is due to the belief that there are "watching spirits" in Hades, who in order to be released from their unenviable positions in the world of shades, must find others upon earth to take their place.

Thus, it is believed that when some one is in grave danger of losing his life by accident, it is the direct result of one of these unhappy souls in the nether regions who has petitioned the King of Hades to afford him a substitute. Therefore, if one is so heedless as to prevent the atoning sacrifice by plunging to the rescue of the intended victim, he acts as an interfering factor in the plan of Fate, and the enraged spirit who thus has been cheated of a substitute will forever seek to do him harm.

Nowadays, however, especially during the course of the last ten or fifteen years, the superstition has almost ceased to exist in Hongkong at least, as attested by the frequent accounts of the rescues of drowning persons by Chinese boatmen and others in the harbour. Needless to say, this is a sign of the greatest progress; for, it is certain that the fathers of these same boatmen twenty years ago would not have dared to jeopardise Fate by interfering with the ways of the "Watching Spirits" of the Underworld.

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PERHAPS the most remarkable superstition of the Chinese people in regard to death is the strange belief shared to a similar degree by the Mormons of Utah that the dead may be "wedded" or "sealed" to one another, as the latter like to term it. Let us suppose that a certain family has suffered the loss of a son at an early age—say ten years or so, and as the Chinese people look upon life in the other world as continuing in much the same manner as that in the present, it is inevitable that sooner or later a "spirit bride" must be found for him. This is accomplished by sending a mui-yun-p'oh, or "professional match-maker" to make the rounds in search of a likely bride in the shape of some maid who likewise died in childhood, and who must by this time be, according to earthly reckoning, of nubile age.

When a suitable choice has been made, the "ghost" bride, or rather the paper tablet bearing the dates of her birth and death is sent to the home of the deceased youth in the colourful bridal palanquin of the living. Upon arrival at its destination, the paper tablet is removed from the chair, and together with that of the youth's is burned. By this simple method they are "sealed" to each other, and thus the nuptials of the dead are completed.

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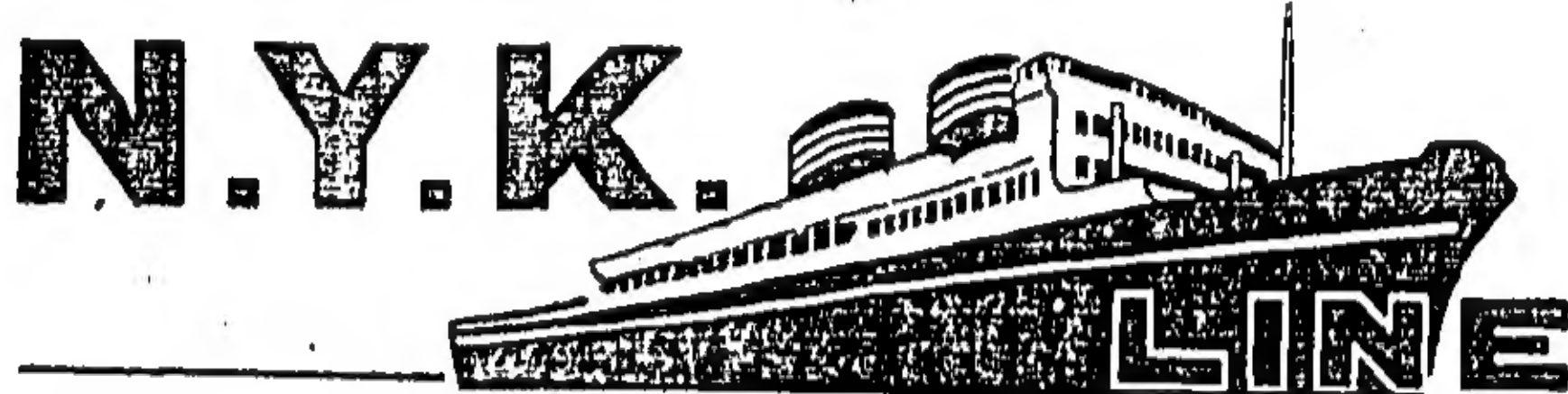
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11. K. T.

12.00-12.20 p.m. Relay of Service of Intercession from St. John's Cathedral.

12.30 Klenyi (Piano). Miliza Korjus (Soprano) and The Boston Promenade Orchestra.

Musical Militaire (Schubert) ... Boston Promenade Orchestra, cond. by Arthur Fiedler. Grand Stables (Chopin); (a) Etude No. 8 in F major; (b) Etude No. 4 in C sharp minor; (c) Etude No. 3 in E major; Klenyi (Piano); The Little Ring (The Maiden's Wish—Chopin); Invitation to the Dance (Weber); The Berlin State Opera Orchestra, with Franz Schönburns (Sung in German); Entry of the Boys (March (Halvorsen); Jealousy—Tango (Tigane (Gade); Boston Promenade Orchestra, cond. by Arthur Fiedler. Local Time Signal, and Weather Report.

1.03 Alfred Piccaver (Tenor) and the London Palladium Orchestra.

The Liberator—March (Ancliffe); The Spirit of Youth—March (Gilbert); The London Palladium Orchestra, cond. by Jack Frier. Thank God For A Garden (Del Negro); Roses Of Picardy (Hoyden Wood); Alfred Piccaver (Tenor); Phantom Brides (Myddleton); The London Palladium Orchestra, cond. by Richard Cream; Waltz (D'Harlelot, Salmon); Love Is Mine (Gartner); Alfred Piccaver (Tenor); With Piano; Kiss Me Again (Berbert); Echoes From The Piazza (Ferraris); The London Palladium Orchestra, cond. by Richard Cream.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press. Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.40 New Dance Music and Variety.

Dance Orchestra—Im Gonna Look My Heart—Quickstep; There Goes My Affection; Maxwell Stewart's Ballroom Melody; Humorous Monologue—Out With The Guides (Marshall); Arthur Marshall; Fox-Trot—Goodbye To Summer; Sixty Seconds Got Together; Carroll Gibbons and the Savoy Hotel Orchestra with vocal chorus; Vocal—Du Soleil D'Avril J'aimais Aime French film "Premiere"; Dania accord by Wal-berg and His Orchestra; Vocal—Used To Be Colour Blind (Carefree); Fred Astaire with Ray Noble and His Orchestra; Hawaiian Music—Broadway's Gone Hawaii (Alm Love and His; Farewell Hawaii (Phillips); The Hawaiian Islanders with Vocal Chorus.

2.15 Close Down.

6.00 Dance Music and Variety.

Dance Orchestra—Golden Heart—Fox-Trot; The Courtesy Of Love—Fox-Trot; Billy Thorburn and His Music with vocal refrain; Piano and Vocal—Cabin On The Hill-Top (film "Walking On Air"); Miracles Sometimes Happen (Murray); Turner Layton; Dance Orchestra; Dandelion; Daisy And Daffodil—Comedy Waltz; Me And The Moon—Slow Fox-Trot; Billy Cotton and His Band with Vocal Chorus; Piano—Waltz; I Am Playing Farewell To You—Fox-Trot; Fred Stein in Strict Dance Tempo; Dance Orchestra—It's A Sin To Tell A Lie—Slow Fox-Trot; Music In May—Waltz (Careless Rapture); The B. C. Dance; Dance Orchestra—Medley Of Songs From Shirley Temple Pictures; Mae Questel (The Betty Boop Girl) with Victor Young and His Orchestra; Dance Orchestra; Buscando Millionaire—Rumba; El Adios Del Boyero—Tango; Orquesta Tipica Roberto; Vocal—Das Ist Die Liebe Der Mutter (Heymann) The Melody Gents with Orchestra.

6.45 London Relay—"Steamboat".

A programme of variety, music, and drama from our floating playhouse, revolving for you some of the glories of the old showboat days: The Showman; Lorna Stuart; Brian Lawrence; Jack Truitt and The Three in Harmony. The Orchestra led by Josef Marais and conducted by Jack Clarke; The programme devised by William MacLurg.

7.25 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

7.27 Excerpts from Gilbert and Sullivan's "Iolanthe" and "The Mikado".

"Iolanthe"; Loudly Let The Trumpet Brawl; Chorus of Men; In Vain To Us You Plead; Nellie Walker; Alice Moxon; Derek Oldham; Grier; Fancourt; and Chorus of Girls; When I Went To The Bar; George Baker; When Darkly Looms The Day; W. Lawton; N. Temple-cliffe D. Oldham; L. Rands; D. Fancourt and Male Chorus; My Lord A Suppliant At Your Feet; Nellie Brercliffe; It May Not Be George Baker; Nellie Brercliffe; Bertha Lewis and Chorus of Girls; "The Mikado"; Our Great Mikado; George Baker and Chorus of Girls; Young Man Despair; L. Sheffield; D. Oldham and G. Baker; And Have I Journey'd ... D. Oldham and L. Sheffield; So Please You, Sir ... E. Griffin; Davies, B. Elbur; L. Sheffield and Chorus of Girls; Were You Not To Go—K. K. Pighted; E. Griffin and D. Oldham; I Am Proud; Leo Sheffield, Henry A. Lytton and George Baker.

8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Request Programme.

Dance Orchestra—Bugle Call Rag—Fox-Trot; Tiger Rag—Fox-Trot; The Ballyhoolligans; Vocal—China-Town; Mills Brothers Quartet with Guitar; Mouth Organ—Night Over Shanghai (film "The Singing Marine"); Larry Adler (The Mouth Organ Virtuoso) with Orchestra; Vocal—Happy As A Lark (film

"Breaking The Ice") ... Bobby Breen with Victor Young and His Orchestra; Orchestra—"The Merry Widow" Waltz (Lehar); ... Marek Weber and His Orchestra; Vocal—Ahl Sweet Mystery Of Life (film "Naughty Marietta"); ... Nelson Eddy (Baritone) with Male Chorus and Orchestra; Orchestra—Destiny (Baynes); ... De Groot and His Orchestra; Vocal—When I Grow Too Old To Dream (film "The Night Is Young"); Evelyn Laye (Soprano) with Orchestra; Orchestra—"Glamorous Night"—Selection (Novello); ... Drury Lane Theatre Orchestra, cond. by Charles Prentice; Vocal—Solitude (De Larrie, Boys and a Guitar); Orchestra—My Own (film "That Certain Age"); You're As Pretty As A Picture (film "That Certain Age"); ... Henry King and His Orchestra; Vocal—Moonlight And Shadows (film "Jungle Princess"); Thanks For The Memory (film "Big Broadcast of 1938"); Dorothy Lamour with Orchestra; Dance Orchestra—The Moon Of Manikotoke; Waltz (film "The Hurricane"); Mario De Pietro and His Estudiantina with vocal refrain.

8.50 London Relay—"London Log".

9.0 Request Programme Cont'd.

Dance Orch.—Swing Is Here To Sway—Quickstep (film "All Baba Sway To Town"); Harry Roy and His Orchestra; Vocal—Refrain; Vocal—Alexander's Ragtime Band (from the film); Diahn (Young-Alast) The Boswell Sisters with Guitar Accompany; Dance Orch.—Chloe—Fox-Trot; Benny Goodman and His Orchestra; Vocal and Orch.—Love, Come Back To Me (Romberg); Alfred Bailey (Vocal) And His Orchestra; Dance Orch.—Blue Danube—Swing—Fox-Trot; Eddie Carroll and His Swingin' Orchestra; Dance Orch.—Pardon My Love, Fox-Trot; "Fats" Waller and His Rhythm with vocal refrain and piano by "Fats" Waller; Dance Orch.—Goodnight, My Love—Fox-Trot (film "Snowy") ... Jack Hylton and His Orchestra with vocal refrain; Vocal—Aloha Oe (Kennedy); ... Bing Crosby with Dick McInnis and His Harmony Hawaiians.

9.30 London Relay—The News.

9.50 Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Grill Room of the Hong Kong Hotel.

(a) Duella Criollo (b) Rodriguez Pena; (c) Son Retozon; (d) Gloria de 10.05 Interval of recorded music from ZBW.

10.10 (a) I've got a date with a dream; (b) Walking Stick; (c) Music Maestro Please; (d) My Melancholy Baby.

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(a) Solitude; (b) Yam; (c) Basin Street Blues; (d) Song of India.

10.50 Interval of recorded music from ZBW.

11.0 (a) Tales from the Vienna Woods (b) Le Bonheur qui passe; (c) On the Hills of Manchuria (d) Dnsy.

11.15 London Relay—Association Football.

A commentary on a match in the third round of the F.A. Cup Tie.

12.15 Close down.

H.K.T.

10.30-11.30 a.m. Relay of Morning Service from The Union Church.

11.30-12.15 p.m. Relay of Morning Service from The Hop Yat Church (Chinese).

12.15 The Music of Rachmaninoff including his Concerto No. 2. Prelude In A Flat Major, Op. 23, No. 8; Prelude In A Minor, Op. 32, No. 8; Elise's Song (Piano); Polichinelle; Prelude In B Flat; Left Hand; Concerto No. 2, Op. 18; Sergei Rachmaninoff (Piano) and the Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra, cond. by Leopold Stokowski.

1.0 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Richard Crooks (Tenor) and Marek Weber and His Orchestra. Blonde Or Brunette—Waltz (Waldteufel); ... Marek Weber and His Orchestra; My Song Goes Round The World (Kennedy—May); Spillins Through (Penn); ... Richard Crooks (Tenor) with Orchestra; Life In The Vienna Prater (Translature); Drink, Drink, Brother, Drink—Waltz (Bendix); ... Marek Weber and His Orchestra; You Will Remember Vienna (film "Viennese Nights"); I Bring A Love Song (film "Viennese Nights"); ... Richard Crooks (Tenor) with Orchestra; Tales From The Vienna Woods—Waltz (Strauss); ... Marek Weber and His Orchestra.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press. Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.40 Bize's "Carmen" Acts III and IV.

Sung by Aurora Brades, Aureliano Pertile, Ines Alenci, Felicitas, Irma Milon, Ebe Tiozzi, Giuseppe Negri, Arslide Baracchi, Benvenuto Franz and Chorus of La Scala, Milan, with the Milan Symphony Orchestra conducted by Lorenzo Molajoli.

2.0 Close down.

2.05 London Relay—Excerpts from "Light Opera—Dorothy" and "Les Cloches De Corneville" with Rose Alper (South African Soprano), Tom Williams (Baritone), The BBC Revue Chorus, The BBC Empire Orchestra conducted by Clifton Hillwell.

8.0 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

8.05 B.B.C. Recording—"Heart of England".

A programme from the Midlands arranged and produced by Robin Whitworth.

8.30 Light Orchestra Concert.

Shepherd's Hey (Grainger); Molly On The Shore (Grainger); Royal Opera Orchestra, Covent Garden. Guest Conductor—Lawrence Collingwood; International Railroad Express (Descriptive); Polka Frieda; ... Jakov Serebroff's Russian Orchestra; The Juggler (Grotzsch); Joseph Muscat and His Concert Orchestra; Neapolitan Folk Song Medley; ... Carolina Mandoline Orchestra; L. Colletta (Granier and Padilla); El Melario (Padilla); ... Geraldo's Gaucho Tango Orchestra.

9.0 Studio—Piano Recital by Nura Kanis.

1. Variations on a Russian Dance (Beethoven); 2. A Giddy Girl (J. quer Thert); 3. Moment Musical, Op. 10, No. 4 (Rachmaninoff); 4. Goyescas No. 4—Lover and the Nightingale (Granados).

9.30 Reuter and Rugby Press. Weather Forecast and Announcements.

9.40 Schumann—Symphony No. 1 In B Flat Major, Op. 38.

Chicago Symphony Orchestra conducted by Frederick Stock.

10.10 Organ Music.

Trameter (Schumann); Andantino In D Flat (Lemare); ... Edwin H. Lemare (Organ).

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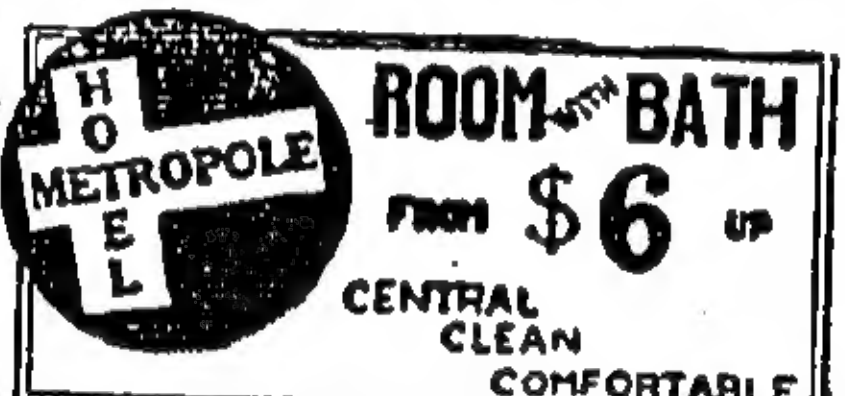
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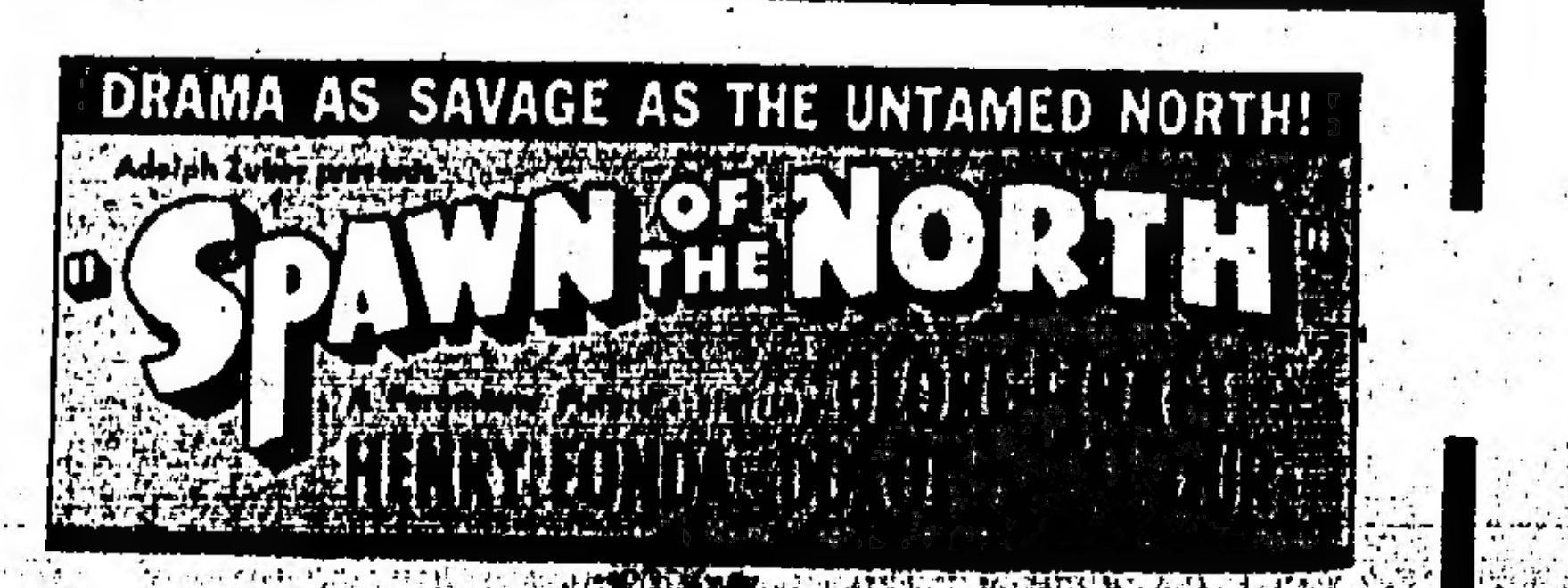
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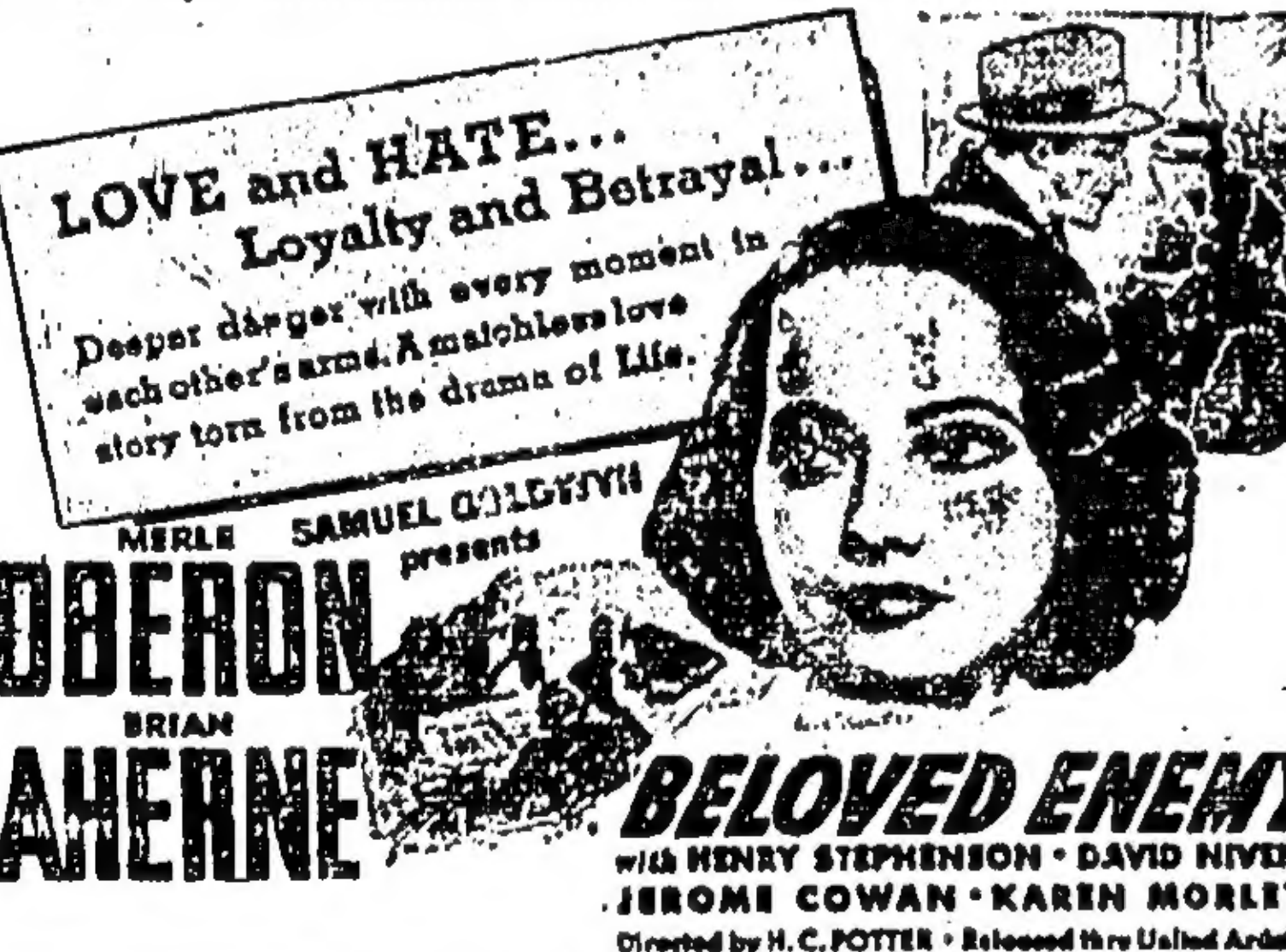


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## CANTON-HONGKONG Shipping Service in One Or Two Months

Negotiations for the reopening of the Pearl River are still being pursued. It is admitted by the Colonial Secretary, the Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith and the Japanese Consul-General, Mr. A. Tajiri.

When asked whether the success of the talks would enable all river boats to resume their scheduled, the Japanese Consul-General said yesterday: "Probably one or two months." He agreed that the Japanese were running a regular passenger service between Macao and Canton, but said only one merchant ship was used, the rest being army transports.

The service was not open to ordinary travellers except by special permission obtained in Hongkong or Canton.

He was doing his best to get the local Government's request granted and he did not think that the change of government in Tokyo would adversely affect the issue since the matter was purely a local concern. Mr. Ota, the Japanese Consul in Hongkong who has just returned from Canton, said yesterday that all was peaceful along the banks of the river. The Japanese garrison were still in possession of Boeca Tigris Forts.

Mr. Ota said he went to Canton from Macao by an Army transport ship, returning by the same means. The boats were usually full with Japanese and Chinese employed under the Provisional Government.

### Canton Conditions

Mr. Ota, Japanese Consul, said that he was told that there were about 400,000 Chinese now in Canton. They were gradually resuming business and some 600 Japanese merchants from Formosa were now doing a food trade, chiefly in catering, restaurants etc.

He encountered some twenty foreigners, mostly Americans, buying curios in the city.

The Army aeroplane service between Canton and Formosa was functioning regularly, except for the past few days when bad weather had prevented flying.

The "Provisional Government" had its own police force. Lieut.-Gen. Ando was in command of the South China forces and Major General Goto, who headed the Shum-chun advance, was operating against guerrillas in the vicinity.

## Italians Must Wear Fascist Badges

Rome, Jan. 6. Italian delegates to congresses in foreign countries must wear the Fascist Party badge unless it is prohibited by the laws of the country in which the congress takes place, stipulates a decree just issued by the Government.—Trans-Ocean.

### NEW MACDONNELL ROAD BRIDGE CONSTRUCTING

The Public Works Department has removed the bridge which crosses the Peak Tramway on Macdonnell Road and is now erecting a more substantial structure in its place.

The new bridge will be lower, wider and stronger than its predecessor the intention being that it shall be able to cope with the increased traffic along this road.

Mr. H. O. Odell, the well-known local stock-broker, is recovering from his recent indisposition and will be seen again in Ice House Street next week.

## LATE NEWS

### New Medal For Police, Fire Officials

A new medal for gallant or meritorious service, known as the Colonial Police Medal, has been struck for police forces and fire brigades in the colonies, and will, in future, be awarded to Hongkong police officers and firemen.

The "Gazette" to-day publishes an announcement regarding the new medal, stating that the medal is to be awarded for distinguished conduct. The decoration will consist of a circular medal of silver with the effigy of the King on the obverse, and on the reverse an emblematic design with the words "For Gallantry" or "For Meritorious Service" as the case may be.

The medal is open to all ranks of the police forces, civil and military, and to all members of properly organised fire brigades in the colonies and territories under His Majesty's protection, including mandated territories.

The qualifications for the medal include conspicuous gallantry, valuable service characterised by resource, and devotion to duty, including prolonged service marked by exceptional ability, merit and exemplary conduct.

Any award of the medal for conspicuous gallantry shall be made soon after the event as possible; and all other awards shall be made annually on the King's birthday.

The award of the medal shall not be a bar to subsequent recommendation for the King's Police Medal.

It is also stated that the annual award of the medals shall not exceed 150, except in very special circumstances.

### N. T. Show Is Abandoned

The Annual Agricultural Show organised by the New Territories Agricultural Association has been abandoned this year.

As a result of the situation caused by the large number of refugees in the New Territories last month, entries were slow in coming in, and the Committee of the New Territories Agricultural Association reluctantly decided to stop the Show for one year.

### BIRTH IMMINENT IN JAPAN ROYAL FAMILY

A happy event is expected in the Japanese Imperial Household between the end of February and the beginning of March.

The ceremony of girdling the Empress with the Maternity Belt will be performed on January 13. Field Marshal Prince Kanin, Chief of the Army General Staff, will attend the ceremony.—Domei.

### JAPAN TO ABOLISH CONSULATES

Japanese Government will abolish all Japanese Consulates and Consulate-Generals in Manchukuo this year.—Domei.

## OPIUM CARRIER

### Drug Brought Down To Colony from Macao

A Chinese from Macao, attired in European style clothing, was searched by Revenue Officers at the Ping On wharf, Connaught Road Central, when 120 taels of raw opium was found among his belongings. The man, Wong Far, 32, appeared before Mr. T. J. Houston at the Central Magistracy yesterday, and was fined \$3,000 or six months' hard labour, and sentenced to nine months' hard labour in addition.

Questioned, Wong said he was carrying the opium for someone in Macao, and arrangements were made for another man to take delivery outside the wharf.

Revenue Officer J. L. Stephens prosecuted.

### SEQUEL TO RAID

When a flat at Ghim Sa Street was raided by Revenue Officers, 12 taels of raw opium were found hidden in a bed. Fung Wai-chun, 35, married woman, was fined \$300 or six months' hard labour for possession of the opium, yesterday.

Leung Hung, 35, unemployed, charged with possession of four taels of prepared opium and keeping an opium divan at Chinese Street, was fined \$100 or three months' hard labour on the first charge, and \$60 or six weeks on the second.

## FIVE-YEAR-OLD CRIME

### Chinese Remanded On Burglary Charges

Towards the end of 1933, and in the beginning of 1934, the Arcadia Jewellery shop (now not in existence) in Peking Road, was broken into on three occasions, and jewellery totalling \$8,272 in value was stolen.

Shortly after the 1934 theft, Inspector A. E. Carey arrested the alleged thief, this resulting in partial recovery of the stolen property. During the arrest the man was hurt, and was sent to the old Government Civil Hospital, but escaped from the prisoners' ward.

The man was not seen again until December 7 when he was arrested by Det.-Sergeant H. J. Baldwin in Kowloon on a four-year-old warrant. Chan Tai-chau, 38, was charged before Mr. Q. A. A. Macfarlane at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday on three counts of burglary and receiving stolen property, and one count of having escaped from legal custody.

Det.-Sergeant C. Mottram prosecuted, and after part of the prosecution's evidence had been heard, the case was adjourned to January 9. The case is for committal.

### THE CHEERO CLUB

The following Cheero Club fixtures are announced:

Monday, dance at 8.30 p.m., with music by "The Stokers Dollar Band" from H.M.S. Cardiff.  
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Wednesday, dance at 8.30 p.m. with music by the Harmonica Band, from H.M.S. Kent.  
Thursday, bridge night.  
Friday, bridge and mahjong.

### Hockey Matches Cancelled

The Caer Clark Cup match between St. Andrew's Ladies and the "Y," and the Brown Cup fixture between the Saints and the Club de Reccelo, scheduled to be played this afternoon, have been cancelled.

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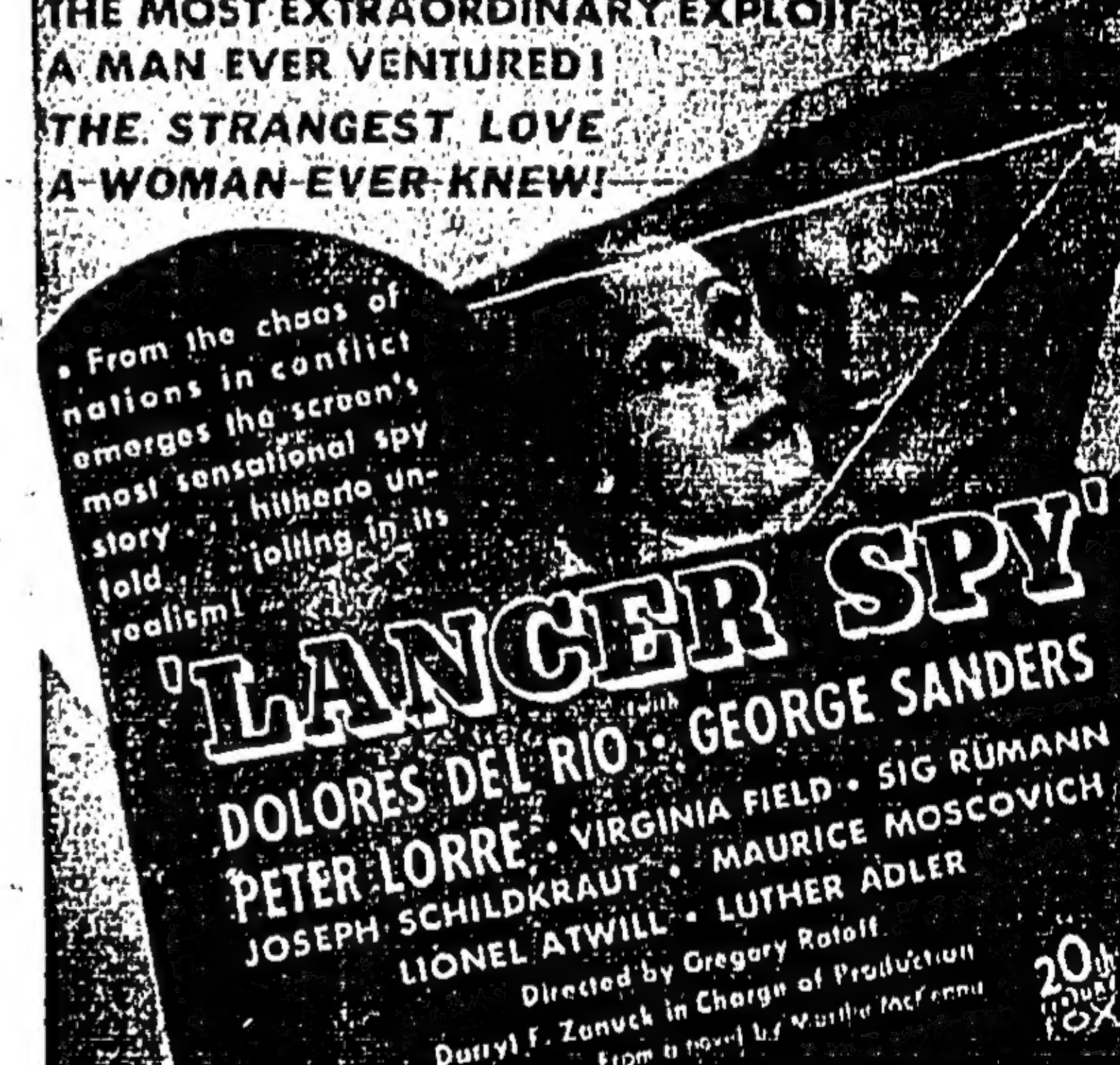
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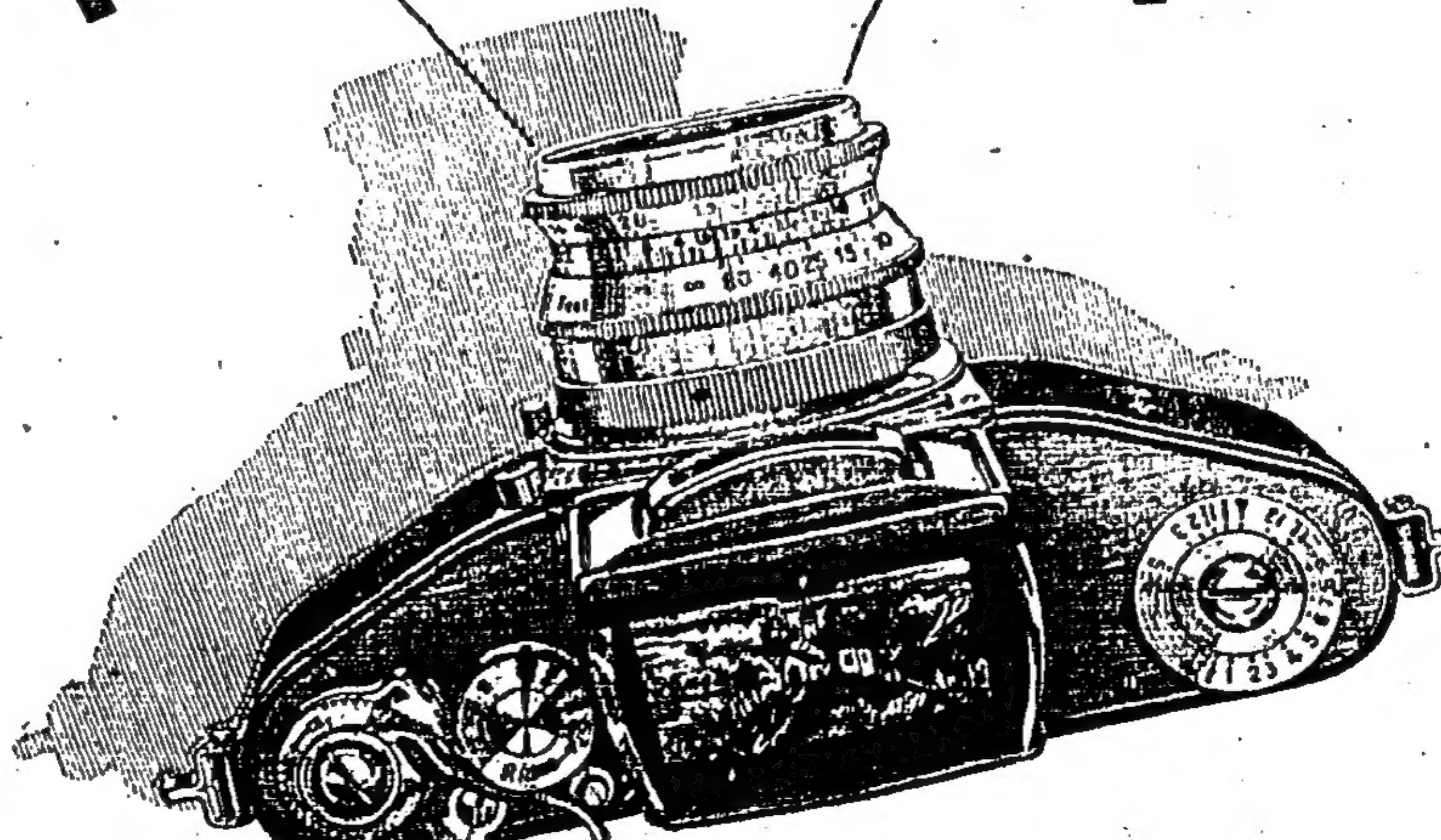
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